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Yaumati	...Dep.	6.50	—	—	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	2.31	4.44	5.38	7.30
Shatin	...Dep.	7.02	—	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	2.43	4.56	5.51	7.42
Taipo	...Dep.	7.16	—	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	2.56	5.09	6.04	7.55
TaipoMarket	Dep.	7.21	—	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.56	3.00	5.13	6.08	7.59
Fanling	...Dep.	7.32	—	—	10.03	11.18	12.46	2.06	3.11	5.24	6.19	8.09
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.36	—	9.07	10.07	11.22	12.50	2.07	3.15	5.28	6.23	8.13
Shumchun	...Arr.	7.42	8.45	9.13	10.13	11.28	12.56	2.13	3.21	5.34	6.29	8.19
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Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.26	8.13	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	5.27	5.47	6.15	—
Fanling	...Dep.	7.31	8.17	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	—	5.51	6.19	—
TaipoMarket	Dep.	7.41	8.27	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	—	6.01	6.29	—
Taipo	...Dep.	7.45	8.32	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	—	6.05	6.33	—
Shatin	...Dep.	7.58	8.45	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	—	6.18	6.46	—
Yaumati	...Dep.	8.12	8.57	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	—	6.30	6.58	—
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Shataukok	... ...	8.40	12.25	3.15	4.15	7.20

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Shatankok	... ...	6.30	10.15	1.05	2.05	5.00	5.15
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FATE OF THE KIT KAT CLUB.

THE DRUG TRADE WITH CHINA.

SIR R. BUCHANAN JARDINE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, February 5th.

The King and Queen return to London this week from Sandringham, and will be in residence at Buckingham Palace until the first week in April, when the Court removes to Windsor for Easter, staying there about a month.

The Kit Kat Club.

It is to be supposed after the recent raid on the Kit Kat Club, a very fashionable night club in the West End, resulting in fines on the management and others amounting to over £1,000, that the campaign against these resorts is seriously meant. The Kit Kat had as members scores of titled personages, Members of Parliament, and people well-known in Society, while there were hundreds of less exalted folk on the roll of membership. Now, as a result of the raid it is closed for three months; and I hear it is doubtful whether it will be re-opened. The club was conducted in a perfectly proper manner as regards the dancing, which was a feature of the programme every night, and the cabaret show which amused patrons. But liquor was sold there after the hotels and restaurants were closed, and people who were not members were supplied. This was the high crime and misdemeanour for which the management have had to pay.

Everyone who went to the Kit Kat Club had to dip pretty deeply into their pockets. A sandwich of two pieces of bread the size of a half-crown, with a morsel of meat between, cost you five shillings. A bottle of champagne cost thirty shillings. It is not surprising that a five pound note did not see a man very far when he got inside after Big Ben had chimed the midnight hour. In ten months, as the books of the club disclosed when the police carried out a raid, the net profits on wine alone were £35,000. The prosecution shows that there is not one law for the rich and another for the poor; the Kit Kat Club has suffered the fate of any workman's club guilty of irregularity. But what has happened in this case also shows how ridiculous the licensing law is, when people eminent in many ways and ordinarily law-abiding, are driven under-ground, as it were, for recreation and refreshment because they are denied reasonable freedom in any open and reasonable way.

Narcotics to China by Post.

Dr. Graham Aspland, secretary of the International Anti-Opium Association, Peking, in a letter received from him to-day informs a correspondent in London, that the drug combine which it is presumed must be working in Europe is now using the post office as the method of getting morphia and heroin into China. Between October 25th and December 12th last, he states, 741 packets of the drugs, weighing 10,815 ounces, have been seized in the Shanghai post office.

Nine-tenths of this quantity are unlabelled as regards manufacturer and country of origin, but the post-marks show dispatch from points in Switzerland, France, Holland, Czecho-Slovakia, Austria, and Hungary. This large quantity of dangerous drugs exceeds the total seizures from steamers arriving at Shanghai, Tientsin, and Tsingtao during the whole of 1925.

Sir R. Buchanan Jardine.

Sir Robert Buchanan Jardine, who was connected with the world-famous house of China merchants, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., has passed away this week in his 59th year at his Scottish seat, Castle Milk, Lockerbie. He was out hunting only a couple of days previously. A good deal of space is given to his career on the Turf in the London papers, and long records are published of his interests in that respect. It is said that his father, the first Baronet, who died in 1905, left a couple of million pounds, and that he inherited this vast fortune.

In 1894 Sir Robert Buchanan Jardine married Ethel Mary, daughter of Mr. Benjamin Piercy, of Marcweil Hall, Denbighshire, and of Macomer, Sardinia. He is succeeded by his son, Mr. John William

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HOUSE OF COMMONS PRIVATE BILLS.

SOME INTERESTING MEASURES.

CURBING MONEY LENDERS' ACTIVITIES.

When the House of Commons Ballot took place to decide which members are to have the right of utilising the Fridays up to Whitsuntide, and two of them afterwards, for the purpose of seeking to carry legislation which they have had the privilege of introducing. The luck was with the Ministerial party, for Unionist M.P.'s secured the first eight places, and the Labour-Socialists had only three successes when the twelfth name had been drawn.

The Liberals did not gain a single effective place. Mr. R. Mitchell Banks, the Unionist member for Swindon, who topped the list, will introduce a bill to prohibit any person or association from inviting, accepting or using funds from foreign sources for the furtherance or maintenance of industrial disputes in Great Britain. Lord Fermoy, having second place, will take up the measure which Lord Darling presented in the House of Lords last year under the title of the Auctions (Bidding Agreements) Bill. The chief object of the measure is to curb the activities of "rings" in cattle markets.

There were two Moneylenders Bills last year—one in the Lords and the other in the Commons. Both made a certain amount of progress, but never really looked like becoming law. Mr. Burman, a Birmingham member, with the third place in the ballot, has undertaken to reintroduce the bill "fathered" last session by Major Glyn, and in view of the favourable position it will enjoy those who advocate new statutory regulations for the business of moneylending are much more confident of achieving their purpose. Capt. H. P. Hott will have a bill to prohibit seditious and blasphemous teaching.

Owing to the opposition of a few Labour-Socialists the Ministry of Health was unable last December to get the Mental Deficiency Bill through its final stages. Mr. B. C. Wood, the member for Bridgwater, will now introduce the bill again, and there is little doubt that this time it will be passed by both Houses. The Wild Birds Protection Bill, for which Sir Clive Morrison-Bell is assuming responsibility, was also last year a Government measure that had to be dropped. Mr. Lougher is bringing in a bill to provide for the better regulation of lights on road vehicles, Sir C. Kinloch-Cooke a bill for the registration of architects, and Mr. West Russell a bill relating to opticians.

Mr. George Hall has the ninth place in the list for the Labour-Socialist Prevention of Unemployment Bill. Mr. Haden Guest is bringing forward a franchise bill, and Mr. Tinker will introduce the Socialist Factories Bill.

Buchanan-Jardine, who was educated at Eton, Sandhurst, and Trinity College, Cambridge, and who married Jean, daughter of Lord Ernest Hamilton. The new baronet is a successful racing owner, and is also Master of the Dumfriesshire Foxhounds, with which his father, the late baronet, used to hunt regularly.

A Popular Sportsman.

For many years Sir Robert Buchanan Jardine was one of the best known racing men in the Kingdom. He was exceedingly popular as a sportsman. He seldom made a bet, and followed the "sport of kings" simply for the love of racing. His trainer and the stable staff loved him for his genial, easy-going manner; and it seemed to make no difference to him when his horses failed to win. With his hat set on his head at a decided angle, he used to walk about at a race-meeting, a genial smile on his face, and a pleasant word for all his friends and acquaintances. Perhaps his most famous horse was Cinna, which won the One Thousand Guineas and the Coronation Stakes in 1920, and was beaten in the Oaks by only a head. In that year Sir Robert's winnings in stakes amounted to £19,375. Another horse that he owned was Obliterate.

Always a coursing enthusiast, Sir Robert, who was a member of the National Coursing Club, won the Waterloo Cup on two occasions, his dogs being Long Span in 1907 and Jabberwock in 1911, while he was runner-up with Jassiona in 1921. His coat of arms bore the curious motto: "Beware: I am present."—H.B.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
H.K. Lawn Bowls Association meeting, Chamber of Commerce Room, 5.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Sally, Irene and Mary."
World Theatre: "The Shock Punch."
Star Theatre: "Duley."
Principal Mails:—Outward: America, etc., and Europe *vid* Victoria, B.C. (*President Lincoln*), 5 p.m.; Europe *vid* Siberia (*Katori Maru*), 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers of H.M.S. *Hermes* dance, Hotel Savoy, 8.30 p.m.
M.C.L. Concert, Helena May Institute, 8.30 p.m.
K.B.S.F.P.A. dance, Central British School, Kowloon, 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Sally, Irene and Mary."
World Theatre: "The Shock Punch."
Star Theatre: "Duley."
Principal mails:—Outward: Canada, and America, etc., Europe *vid* Vancouver and *vid* Siberia (*Empress of Asia*), 10 a.m. Europe *vid* Marseilles (*Patroclus*), 10.30 a.m.

Thursday.

Annual Flower and Vegetable Show, Volunteer Headquarters. Prizes distributed by Lady Clementi, 5.30 p.m.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Choral Evensong, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.
Debate, European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Dressmaker from Paris."
World Theatre: "Man & Maid."
Star Theatre: "Thank You."

Friday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Annual dinner Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong, 8 p.m.
Kowloon Dock Recreation Club dance for "Soldiers Recreation Fund," 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Dressmaker from Paris."
World Theatre: "Man & Maid."
Star Theatre: "Thank You."

Saturday.

Football and Cricket: Details in Saturday's issue.
Yachting: "Ladies" Cup for all racing yachts.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Peak Club dance, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Dressmaker from Paris."
World Theatre: "Man & Maid."
Star Theatre: "Thank You."

Sunday.

Golf: Junior Championship Final, Fanling.
Yachting: Presented Cups for Cruisers.

Monday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament.
K.C.C. Tennis Tournament begins.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Hotel Savoy tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien tea dansant, 4.30 p.m.
Cafe Parisien dinner dance, 8 p.m.

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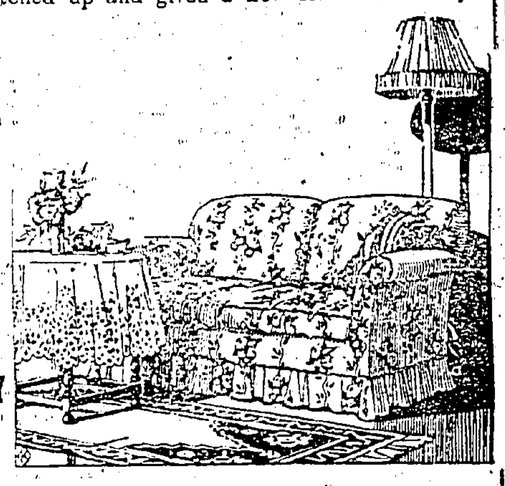

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CHANG TSO-LIN'S CHIEF OF STAFF.

EXPLAINS ANKUOCHUN PLANS.

UNIFIED CONTROL AND HOPE OF SUCCESS.

General Yang Yu Ting, Chief of Staff to Marshal Chang Tso Lin in the course of an important interview to foreign correspondents at the Ankuochun Headquarters said it had been stated that he was contemplating a compromise with the South. This was in a sense a misunderstanding and yet in a sense true.

Possible Union.

The element of truth in it was that there was always a possibility of all parties in China coming to terms. For example, the Fengtien and Chihli parties had at one time been enemies and there had been fighting between Marshals Chang Tso Lin and Wu Pei Fu.

But General Yang went on emphatically to declare that the time for a compromise with the South had not yet come. Of that he was possible, but not yet.

Russia the Enemy.

What the Fengtien Party objected to was the important part played by the Soviet in the Kuomintang councils. Mukden strongly opposed the principles put forward by the Russians. They might even consider it possible to enter into discussions with regard to Communism if it was a Chinese Communism, but they could not negotiate concerning Russian Communism as expounded in South China by Bolshevist Russians. The Kuomintang must get rid of Russian Bolshevists before there could be any compromise between them and Fengtien.

"We are not particularly against General Chiang Kai Shek or other Chinese," declared the General, "but we are fighting the Russians."

He then pointed out that their method of dealing with Honan would be quite different from that of dealing with the South, because they had not the problem of Russian influence in Honan.

General Yang then went on to say that it had been stated that the South had definite principles and aims and the North none. This was wrong. The North had just as clear principles as the South, but it did not consider that the present was the time to enunciate them.

There were many political theories about the reconstruction of the country and one more would only confuse things. If the whole country could agree on any form of government, Mukden would agree to it too.

The Mukden Party had never believed in unifying by force, but hoped for an agreement between all parties in time. They believed, however, in unifying the whole country north of the Yangtsze and when that was accomplished they would then put forward their political programme.

General Yang pointed out that the misunderstandings between North and South were partly due to differences in temperament and character. The North was slow, the South active. The Southerners liked to talk and to indulge in politics and propaganda, while the Northerners talked and acted slowly.

During the past six months the North had been slow and their lack of action had caused them to be misunderstood not only by foreigners but even among Chinese.

They had urged Marshal Wu repeatedly to advance and attack the Southerners but he had failed to do so. They had then requested him, if he could not advance, to withdraw and allow the Fengtien forces to attack, but this also he had not done. Their moral principles forbade them to fight him yet he was blocking the way and preventing them from making a drive to recapture Hankow. They wish to maintain him in his present position to the best of their ability but yet they must advance through Honan on Hankow, even if it causes him annoyance and inconvenience.

In the same way, Fengtien promised to be help Marshal Sun Chuan Fang and it was arranged that his troops should be in the vanguard in the attack on the South, but he did nothing. He wanted the Mukden troops to make the attack yet did not like their coming through his territory.

Thus on both these fronts there has been delay for which Mukden has not been to blame.

Sun Asks Help.

General Yang made an interesting allusion to the Great War and said that victory for the Allies was long delayed but came speedily when they decided upon unified control.

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IS FENG YU HSIANG A CHINESE?

HUNGARIAN JUDGE CLAIMS TO BE HIS BROTHER.

VETERAN OF SPANISH AMERICAN WAR?

Feng Yu Hsiang, the notorious "Christian general," the Christian part of which he has recently renounced may not be Chinese at all, says an Associated Press message to the *Manila Times*. He may be a Hungarian who formerly served in the American army during the Spanish-American war and the Philippine insurrection, according to revelations made by two of his brothers and described in Associated Press dispatches.

A dispatch from Budapest quotes Judge Fengya of Kassa, Czecho-Slovakia, as saying that Feng is Hungarian and his brother, Judge Fengya declares that Feng formerly held a captaincy in the American army, wandered to China and married the daughter of a native prince and through her influence became a noted commander in Hunan province.

Another dispatch, from Bridgeport, Conn., quotes the Reverend Stephen Chernitzky Fengya, formerly of Kassa, as saying he had information that Feng is his brother. Rev. Fengya says the man now known as Feng Yu Hsiang was Major John Fengya of the United States army during the Philippine insurrection and is a Hungarian. Rev. Fengya says he recognized a photograph of Feng in a Kassa newspaper as that of his missing brother. He says Feng was born in Kassa and came to the United States. He joined the army at the time of the Aguinaldo insurrection, served in the Philippines and at the close of the insurrection resigned and went to China where he married a Chinese girl.

A search of the army records of Washington revealed that Harry M. Fengya served as a private in the first California infantry during the war with Spain and the insurrection in the Philippines. He enlisted as of Austrian birth and was 23 years old. This was in San Francisco in 1898. He claimed San Francisco as his home. He did not give any address of relatives. He was mustered out in San Francisco in September, 1899. He served with his regiment in the Philippines from May, 1898 to August, 1899, as a private in company E. Whether this man and Feng Yu Hsiang are the same the war department could not determine.

The photograph of Feng in the "Who's Who" of China published by Millard's Review of Shanghai gives him a distinctly Chinese east of countenance, especially around the eyes. His mustache also has the appearance of the Conventional Chinese mustache, being sharply pointed and extending downward at an angle.

The Hungarians (Magyars) being racially related to the Mongolian races this is not, however, proof that he is not Fengya. Feng's home is at Changteh, Hunan province. He attracted world wide publicity when he announced himself a Christian and had his troops baptized. He also made them sing hymns as they marched.

More recently Feng is accused of having turned radical and of having deserted this religion. When the movement against Christians was at its height in Changsha, Feng was there and did nothing to hold in check the anti-Christian agitation and even expressed sympathy with it.

In the same way to the surprise of the foreigners, the South, though they did not look very strong from a military point of view, had continued to advance.

Now that the North would have unfied control, however, a change would be speedily seen.

Marshal Chang Tsung Chang had after a conference with Marshal Chang Tso Lin settled the main military schemes and as a result of these decisions the Fengtien and Cantonese armies would shortly come into conflict on three fronts, viz., in Kiangsu, Anhui and Honan.

If the Kuomintang launched a direct attack on Shanghai Marshal Chang Tsung Chang would defend it.

If the South attacked in Anhui, the Northerners would launch a counter-attack there and press towards Hankow.

In conclusion General Yang returned to politics.

Chang's Intentions.

He said that the Powers had expressed the hope that China would soon have a strong Central Government. Marshal Chang's plan was to unify the Northern provinces by force and then tackle political problems. He emphasised that it had been definitely decided to defend Shanghai and that things had now come to a clear cut issue between North and South.

TRIBITSCH LINCOLN WITH CANTONESE?

SPY, INTRIGUER, TRAITOR AND HYPOCRITE.

SEEKING REVENGE ON WHITE RACES.

According to the *Daily Express*, Tribitsch Lincoln, former Liberal M.P. for Darlington, self-confessed spy, deportee, arch intriguer, and adventurer, has returned to war and politics, as chief political and financial adviser to the Southern Chinese armies.

Less than twelve months ago, after a dramatic rush from Ceylon to Amsterdam in the hope of seeing his son, Bombardier John Lincoln, before he was executed at Shepton Mallet for the particularly callous murder of Mr. Edward Richards of Trowbridge, Tribitsch Lincoln declared that he had finished for ever with political life. To-day he is in Europe, travelling with a secret Chinese mission, negotiating for a £4,000,000 loan, buying munitions and food for the Cantonese (Nationalists).

He was in Berlin early last month, and is now believed to have arrived in Switzerland, where he is presiding over a secret council, which includes many of his old friends in Germany.

Hopes to Make Chinese Tools for Revenge.

"I am through with adventures, finished with politics, which are unclean path of falsehood, for good," was his pious declaration last year. "All I want now is a chance to settle down with my wife and family. To carry out my son's last wishes I must spend the rest of my life in living down the past. It shall be a sacred trust to care for my wife and children."

Almost before the words were out of his lips Lincoln was declaring passionately that, as surely as the white races were driving him back into political intrigues, so would they suffer through him at the hands of the Yellow Peril.

"I am not a man to be scorned or thwarted," he said. "If I have power nowhere else on earth, I have it among the hordes of the Far East. I do not want to go East, but if every door is closed against me, if I am brought face to face with the ever-recurring problem of no country and no capital, then my very sure refuge is with the Chinese.

Striking Back!

"Through the yellow hordes I will strike back at the countries who have seen fit to treat me with scorn and contempt, refused me even a shelter. The name of Tribitsch Lincoln will yet ring again through the world as one to be reckoned with."

Lincoln waved aside the suggestion that the Chinese might not be anxious to trust him again after the manner in which he played them false in 1924, when he was chief adviser to General Wu Pei Fu and was forced to flee for his life.

TIENTSIN NEXT FOR ATTENTION.

KUOMINTANG BRANCH BEGINS PROPAGANDA.

According to a Tientsin rumour an anti-British movement will shortly be launched in Tientsin.

The receipt is reported in Peking of a leaflet from the Tientsin branch of the Kuomintang, supporting the Shanghai strike. The manifesto says: "Following the fall of Hangchow, Shanghai's attempt at a general strike is by no means unexpected, and is full of significance. Since the capture of Wuchang, Hankow, Kiukiang and Hangchow, the revolutionary tide rages high, the foundation of the ruling class is undermined, and the doom of the militarists is impending. Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's attempt to hold out at Shanghai, which is not only the cradle of the Imperialists, but also the base of Marshal Sun is doomed to failure."

This document also summons labour to rise against the militarists and the public is assured that the strike in Shanghai was a sacrifice for the cause of Nationalism, and a movement to overthrow the ruling class by labourers. Furthermore it was a movement in the interests not only of labourers themselves, but of Shanghai, and also of the country at large. The community of Tientsin is appealed to support the Shanghai strike, thus to further the success of the Nationalist revolution.

In addition to this, says the *Yih Shih Pao*, the Tientsin Kuomintang sent a message to the Central Kuomintang at Wuhan, and to the Kuomintang Generals in the battle fields, congratulating them on the capture of Hangchow, and calling on them to continue their efforts to fiulfil the mission of the Kuomintang. The Tientsin Kuomintang pledges itself to support their cause.—*Chung Mei*.

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CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

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H. K. Bank	$1,060 buy., 1,065 sa.
Do., London	£11¼ nom.
Chartered Bank	£21 nom.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£32 nom.
Do., C.	£13⅝ nom.
P. & O. Bank	£9¾ buy.
East Asia Bank	$7⅝ sel.
Canton Insurance	$660 buy.
China Underwriters	$2.80 nom.
North China Ins.	Tls. 145 nom.
Union Insurance	$284 buy.
Yangtsze Insurance	Mex. $38 nom.
China Fire Insurance	$200 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	$615 buy.
Douglases	$31½ nom.
Steamboats	$23 sel.
Hong Kong Tugs	$1.10 nom.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	$30 sel.
Do. (Def.)	$40 buy.
Shell Transports	8/- nom.
Star Ferries	$55½ buy.
Waterboats	$14 buy.
China Sugars	$22 sel.
Malabon Sugars	$3½ nom.
Benguets	$1.30 nom.
Kailan Mining Ad.	38/- nom.
Langkats (combined)	Tls. 24½ nom.
Do. (single)	Tls. 12½ nom.
S'hai. Explorations	Tls. 4½ nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 7½ nom.
Rants	$4 sel.
Tronoh Mines	21/- buy.
Ural Caspians	8/- nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	$100 sel.
H.K. & W. Docks	$40 nom.
Hongkews	Tls. 150 nom.
New Engineerings	Tls. 5 buy.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 102 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	$7½ buy., 7.90 sel.
H.K. Lands	$56 nom.
Hong Kong Realtys	$5½ buy.
H.K. Territorials	$2½ sel.
Humphreys Estates	$12½ buy.
Prince's Buildings	$89 nom.
Rural Lands	$1½ sel.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 8.40 buy.
Orientals	Tls. 2½ nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 64 buy.
Do. (new)	Tls. 27 buy.
China Buses	Tls. 9½ nom.
H.K. Tramways	$21½ buy.
Peak Trams (old)	$15½ buy.
Do. (new)	$8½ buy.
Singapore Tractions	11/- sel.
Taxis	$1 sel.
Amusements	$18.60 buy.
Canton Ices	$5 nom.
Cements (combined)	$7 buy.
Do. (old)	$6 sel.
Do. (new)	$1½ nom.
China Lights (comb.)	$14½ nom.
Do. (old)	$11 nom.
Do. (new)	$7½ nom.
China Provident	$1½ sel.
Constructions	$2.30 nom.
Dairy Farms	$17½ nom.
Der. A Wings	$6 nom.
H. K. Electrics	$55 x. div. buy.
Macao Electrics	$35 nom.
H.K. Ropes (old)	$10 sel.
Do. (new)	$5 sel.
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Mackintoshs	$19½ nom.
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Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/-
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/0 13/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/0 15/16
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1,225
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,300
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	48⅛
Credits, at 60 days' sight	49⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	133
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	133
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight / Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On Yokohama.—On demand	97½
On Manila.—On demand	96
On Singapore.—On demand	85½
On Batavia.—On demand	120½
On Haiphong.—On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand	—
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HONG KONG TRAMWAYS.

GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN THE CARS.

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THE CAUSEWAY BAY—SHAUKIWAN SERVICE.

At the ordinary yearly meeting of the Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., held yesterday at noon at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., reference was made by the Chairman to the great improvement being affected in the cars of the Company, and mentioned that by the end of this year half of the cars will have been converted from the old curtain arrangement to covered top cars. The alteration of the track at Taikoo in connection with the Causeway Bay-Shaukiwan service was also referred to.

The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Chairman) presided, and there were also present: the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. A. H. Compton (Directors), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C., A.M.I.E.E., M.Inst.T. (General Manager), Mr. W. F. Simmons, A.C.I.S. (Secretary), and the following shareholders: Messrs. F. Austin, W. J. Stokes, Lo Man Hin, O. Kitchell, F. M. Crawford, C. L. Ribeiro, Chan Yat Fung, G. W. Sewell, John Fielding, J. T. Bagram, P. Tester, A. A. Alves, F. H. Crapnell, Kwok Hin Wang, W. E. Van Eps and B. Branch.

Chairman's Speech.

The CHAIRMAN, addressing the meeting, said: It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the late Sir Paul Chater in May last year. He became a director of the Company at the time of the transfer of the Board of Directors to Hong Kong in 1914 and his services since then were of the greatest value to the Company.

Although the past year has been the second best—beaten only by 1924—in the history of the Company it has been adversely affected by unusually bad weather and consequential interruptions.

The electrical storm in July caused a drop of about $11,000 in one week alone and the persistent bad weather in September caused that month to show fewer passengers than the previous January.

Conversion of Cars.

During the year six old cars have been scrapped and replaced by new cars of 8ft. 6in. wheel-base. These in addition to six additional cars put into service now make twelve vestibule top-covered cars on 8ft. 6in. Peckham pendulum trucks which are a great improvement on any cars we have had hitherto. A model of this car is now on the table in front of you. A number of other cars have had the wheel-base extended from 6ft. 6in. to 7ft. 6in. in our own shops. The vestibule saloon top seems now to be regarded as a necessity rather than a luxury and by the end of this year half the cars will have been converted from the old canvas curtain arrangement.

Several cars have been painted green. This colour has, so far, stood up very well and the Board is considering the question of ultimately adopting this colour as standard.

Shaukiwan Service.

Regarding the track, as foreshadowed in my speech last year we are now off that dangerous section on the sea-side of the Taikoo Club. The P.W.D. have completed the cutting near Quarry Bay and although our new track is at present only single and of a temporary nature it is expected that we shall lay down the permanent track towards the end of this year so that 18 months hence the extremely important work of re-laying and doubling the track between Causeway Bay and Shaukiwan will be almost half completed.

The Accounts.

Turning now to the accounts, the working account profit for the year is $741,767.55 which is $19,459.85 better than the previous year. You will recollect that owing to the

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INDIAN YARN MARKET.

REPORT OF MESSRS. POLISHWALLA AND KOTWALL.

Reporting on the Indian Yarn Market, under date of March 4th, Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall, cotton and yarn brokers, state:—

Since our last report on January 10th, our yarn market, during the first part of the interval, remained very quiet, but latterly, owing to telegraphic advices from Bombay of a substantial advance in the rates of all counts due to local and up-country demand, coupled with the critical political situation and civil unrest at Shanghai, which has greatly affected Shanghai mills, the foreign holders are holding out their stocks for higher prices and a decidedly firmer tone has prevailed in our market.

There being inquiry from Yunnan market, business has been done in about 600 bales in a few choice chops at an advance of $4/5 per bale.

Unsold stocks: 14,000 bales.

Bargains in Chinese hands: 11,000 bales.

No. 10: Assur Veerjee $155, Berla $147, Bradbury $137, Connaught $148, David $153, Dawn $152, Mayer Sassoon $146, Phœnix (Cow Ticket) R. $165, Phœnix (Vase Ticket) M. $152, Presidency $145, Sun Mill $150.

No. 12: China $163, Connaught $159, Dawn $160, Fazalbhoy $165, Finlay $165, Moon $164, Pubaney, various chops, $165.

SHANGHAI:—Under the most abnormal and unsettled conditions in Shanghai, business is greatly demoralised and the tendency of the market wholly depends upon the turn of events.

Japanese Yarn:—Only a small business has passed during the interval, as prices in Japan are about $5 higher than the ruling rates of our market.

The following are the ruling quotations for Spot Yarn:—Nagasaki No. 20 $198, Nagasaki No. 10 $155, 3 Horses No. 16 $180, 3 Horses No. 20 $195, Yellow Jess No. 20 $196, Setsu No. 10 $155, Setsu No. 20 $204, Blue Fish No. 12 $163, Blue Fish No. 20 $203.

RAW COTTON:—No stock. Quotations: Bengal $45 to $48 per picul; Chinese $47 to $50 per picul.

strike which began in June, 1925 our earnings for the second half of that year were very poor. They were much better during the year under review and I am pleased to say that receipts for the first 8 weeks of the current year were 14 per cent. higher than during the corresponding period in 1926. During the three days covering China New Year our receipts constituted a record.

The balance available for appropriation after allowing for the interim dividend of 50 cents per share paid in August amounting to $325,000 is $638,011.04. Your Directors recommend the payment of a final dividend for 1926 of 60 cents per share absorbing $390,000 and that the balance of $248,011.04 be carried forward. This last figure is $22,390.10 more than brought forward from the previous year.

I do not think there is anything more that calls for comment and I now beg to propose

"That the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1926, are hereby adopted as presented and that a Final Dividend for the year at the rate of 60 cents per share recommended by the Directors be and is hereby sanctioned."

When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. F. AUSTIN, seconding, said: On behalf of the general body of shareholders I would like to congratulate the Board of Directors, the General Manager, and the staff of the Company on the very excellent result of last year's working.

The report and statement of accounts were adopted unanimously.

Other Business.

On the proposition of Mr. F. M. CRAWFORD, seconded by Mr. O. KITCHELL, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang was elected a Director, and Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. A. H. Compton were re-elected as Directors.

On the proposition of Mr. LO MAN HIN, seconded by Mr. G. W. SEWELL, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews were re-elected as auditors at a remuneration of $1,500.

The CHAIRMAN: That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants are ready and may be obtained on application.

MARATHON RACE AT KOWLOON.

PTE. CRANSTON'S FINE WIN.

RECORD BROKEN BY 22½ SECONDS.

80 FACE THE STARTER.

The sixth annual Marathon Race held under the auspices of the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club took place yesterday at Kowloon and proved one of the best sporting events in the Colony for a long time.

No less than ninety entries were received and of these eighty faced the starter yesterday. The majority were from the King's Own Scottish Borderers who entered 47 and there were contingents from H.M. Ships *Iroquois*, *Despatch*, *Bluebell*, *Frobisher*, *Ambrose*, *Titania*, *Danae* and *Hermes*, one entrant from the Royal Artillery and two civilians, J. C. Middleton Smith and Charles Figueiredo both of whom completed the course.

The course was the same as in previous years, starting from outside the St. Andrew's Church, along Nathan Road, into Waterloo Road to Kowloon City, returning by way of Victoria Home through Hunghom, along Chatham Road and turning into Nathan Road by Middle Road and back to the Church a distance of approximately 6¼ miles.

Great interest was taken in the race, many being outside the Church to watch the start and not a few followed the competitors in motor cars or on motor cycles and bicycles. The blue jackets were prominent cheering and encouraging their respective heroes. A very big crowd watched the finish and deservedly applauded the winners.

The police lent a kindly hand and had several vehicles controlling traffic throughout the course.

The Start.

At the appointed time, 4.30 p.m. Mr. W. S. Bailey, the starter, ranged the runners in three lines and then smartly started the race. The pace at the beginning was very fast and many soon fell behind. Before five minutes had elapsed the competitors had already spread themselves out over a quarter of a mile. At the first turning five men were easily ahead, these being in the order named, Cranston, Newman, Hobden, A. B. Tuck and Atherton. The positions remained the same when the men passed Kowloon Hospital in Waterloo Road. Cranston then had a clear lead of a hundred yards over Newman who was second. The three others were closer.

Winner Breaks Record.

Cranston never lost his lead. He sighted Kowloon City eleven minutes after the start and was going at the rate of about 12 miles an hour. He gradually increased his lead as the race progressed and when he reached the winning post he was fully a quarter mile ahead of the second man. The last half the course was much slower and it was not expected that he could keep the opening pace till the end.

Cranston has, however, broken the record time by covering the distance yesterday in 34 mins. 11½ secs. Leading Seaman William Hobden, who made a record last year did the distance then in 34 mins. 34 secs. This year's winner has therefore reduced the time no less than 22½ secs.

Some Hard Struggles.

Apart from Cranston and Newman who were unchallenged for the first and second places respectively, the race was an exciting one. At the Kowloon Hospital Hobden, last year's winner, Tuck and Atherton were having a tussle for the third position and they ran for quite a distance in that order. Once past Kowloon City, Atherton sped up and led, closely followed by Hobden. Tuck gave up at this stage. Others followed in quick succession. A. B. White was seen coming up strongly and immediately after him were Holt, Barras, McKinnel, Culvert, Anderson, and Gilchrist.

A mile later, Atherton's stamina failed and he lost the lead for the third place. Cobden then led again, but was challenged by White and Stoner both of whom appeared fresh. At the Kowloon Football Club the order of passing was Cranston, Newman, White, Stoner, Barras, Hobden, Holt, Atherton, McKinnoll & Middleton Smith, the first ten. At the last stretch around Middle Road, Stoner displaced White for the third place and Anderson coming up from behind took the seventh place and Middleton Smith overtook McKir ell.

The Finish.

Far away from the rest came Cranston, the winner, arriving in strongly, but without much reserve. He was deservedly applauded by the large crowd of spectators who had gathered to watch the finish. Newman was in sight as soon as Cranston tipped the tapes and Stoner followed soon afterwards, third. White came in fourth nine seconds later and Barras was a little way behind for the fifth place. Hobden did not do as well as expected and had to be content with the sixth place.

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Others came in very quickly one after the other and the order of the first fifteen is as follows:—

1. Pte. Cranston, K. O. S. B., 34mins. 11½secs.
2. Gnr. Newman, R.A., 34mins. 52secs.
3. Band Corp. Stoner, H.M.S. *Frobisher*, 35mins. 30secs.
4. Pte. A. B. White, K.O.S.B., 35mins. 39secs.
5. Pte. Barras, K.O.S.B., 36mins.
6. Leading Seaman W. Hobden, H.M.S. *Despatch*.
7. Pte. Anderson, K.O.S.B.
8. Holt, H.M.S. *Dragon*.
9. Atherton, K.O.S.B.
10. J. C. Middleton Smith, University.
11. McKinnoll, K.O.S.B.
12. Breachnim, K.O.S.B.
13. Culvert, K.O.S.B.
14. Gilchrist, K.O.S.B.
15. McDonald, K.O.S.B.

Between forty five and fifty completed the course.

Trophies Presented.

Immediately after the race, the trophies for the first five winners were distributed in the Church Hall by Mrs. Bailey, wife of Mr. W. S. Bailey, the Patron of the Club.

Prior to this, the Rev. Mr. Lindsay, in a brief speech, returned thanks on behalf of the Club to all who had supported the Marathon. He said that it was their sixth annual Marathon, and, he believed, the most successful they had had. He was particularly gratified to see so many members of the Services taking part. The Rev. Mr. Lindsay remarked that there was a link between St. Andrew's Young Men's Club and the Services and he hoped that that would be strengthened. He then called upon Mrs. Bailey to distribute the prizes, which was done amidst applause.

Mr. Bailey in returning thanks to the St. Andrew's Club for the honour they had shown his wife paid a special tribute to Mr. Lindsay and Mrs. Lindsay and hoped that they would keep in touch as he was sure they could with the members of the Club when they returned to England. He then congratulated the winners and had a special word of praise for the support given by the Services.

The donors of the different prizes were as follows:—1st Prize, Mr. W. S. Bailey; 2nd Prize, Col. Robinson; 3rd Prize, Mr. R. M. Dyer; 4th and 5th Prizes, the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club.

The Officials for the Race were:—

Judges: Rev. Geo. R. Lindsay, M.A. (President), Rev. W. W. Rogers, M.A., and Mr. P. Sands, B.A.

Starter: Mr. W. S. Bailey.

Time-keepers: Messrs. Rupert and J. Baldwin, R. Nicholls, Albert F. Prew, B.A., and J. H. Hunt, O.B.E.

Secretary: Frank N. Winthrop Doodha.

The Committee desire to thank the following for the use of their cars during the Race:—Messrs. J. M. Wong, Benjamin Wong, Jr., J. H. Donnithorne and Capt. R. D. Thomas.

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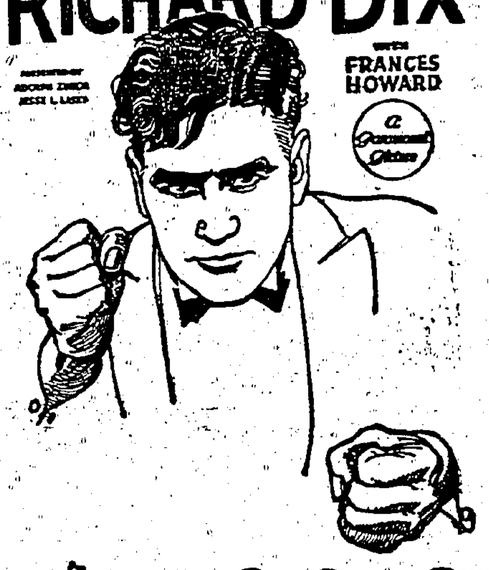

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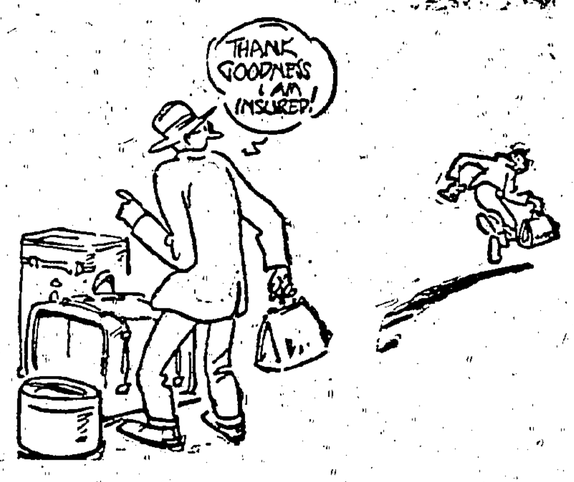

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REV. T. B. WOOD'S CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE.

THE ONLY PERMANENT THING FOR CHINESE.

There was an attendance of sixty at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Branch of the Victoria Diocesan Association held last evening at the Helena May Institute, the Bishop of Victoria (the Right Rev. C. R. Duppuy), who is President and Chairman (*ex-officio*) being in the chair. This was one of the last gatherings at which the Bishop will be present in the Colony for some time to come, for on Saturday he goes Home on leave, under medical advice following his recent illness.

Encouraring reports from the various Secretaries were presented reviewing the activities of the year 1926. The Bishop expressed the opinion that although the V.D.A. was still a comparatively small organisation, it was an organisation which was capable of wide expansion.

An interesting address was delivered by the Rev. T. B. Woods, of Foochow, who has been engaged in Christian Mission Work in China for the past thirty years, and has come to Hong Kong, owing to the disorder and unsecurity following the occupation of his district by Southern troops. Mr. Woods emphasised that although mission work had received a big blow in the Fukien Province, Christianity was still a very live force, and despite antagonism he believed it would eventually become supreme in China.

The meeting opened with prayer, offered by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle.

The Bishop of Victoria presented the statement of accounts, which had been audited by Mr. R. O. Blaker, and in moving their adoption, his Lordship returned thanks to Mr. A. H. Compton (Hon. Treasurer) for his work in the past.

The accounts showed that after allowing for all expenditure there was a balance of $1,421.

The accounts were duly passed.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

On behalf of the various secretaries, the Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C., read the annual report, as compiled from their reports.

It was as under:—

Object of the Association:—The Association was started in England in June, 1920, for the purpose of banding together all who desire to interest themselves in the work of this vast and undeveloped Diocese.

The Hong Kong branch was started in March, 1921.

Membership:—The membership in England is rather more than a thousand, and in Hong Kong 260.

London Reunion:—The Reunion in London last year was presided over by Sir Frederick Lugard, and the Rev. R. J. Northcott, lately Military Chaplain in Hong Kong, gave the address at the morning service.

There was a good representation from Hong Kong and South China.

Meetings in Hong Kong:—Two conversaziones were held in Hong Kong during the year. The first took place in April and was intended to illustrate some of the educational work being done in the Diocese. The second was in November, and was illustrative of social and medical work.

At each of these gatherings there was an attendance of some 170 people.

V.D.A. Sunday:—Sunday, November 21st, was observed as V.D.A. Sunday by all the Churches, Chinese and European in Hong Kong. It was felt that the special services helped in creating interest in the work which lies before the Church in South China. The collections amounted to about $400 and were given to the General Fund, being earmarked for specific purposes, such as the building fund for the new All Saint's, Yaumati, Church.

It has been decided that, in future, the Sunday before Advent shall be reserved for V.D.A. Sunday, and that the Autumn conversazione should be held on the preceding Monday.

Reception to the Bishop of London:—The year has been a memorable for the ten days' visit paid by the Bishop of London to the Diocese.

On December 27th the V.D.A. organized a reception for the Bishop of London, at which some 700 people were present. The Bishop pressed the need of supporting the work in this Diocese and is showing his personal interest by presiding at the Annual Re-union in London, to be held in the Victoria Hall, London, on June 29th.

Hospital Supplies:—Thanks to the Hospital Supplies' Secretary (Mrs. Lay) and her fellow workers, a large box of hospital supplies is being sent to the hospital in Yunnanfu.

Kensington Sale of Work:—Goods for the V.D.A. Stall at the Kensington Sale of Work, were despatched during the year by Mrs. Forster, as sales secretary. Mrs. Forster, who is shortly to go on leave, is to be succeded by Mrs. Russell-Brown.

"Outpost":—A small committee has been formed to be responsible for the collection of local copy for the "Outpost." A Hong Kong supplement to the "Outpost" has also been issued. The Committee is considering the advisability of printing a Chinese edition of this supplement.

Grants:—During the year grants have been as follows:—

(a) $1,000 to the endowment fund for the Chinese Church:

The sum of this fund is to help to provide a permanent endowment fund for Chinese workers. $18,000 has been subscribed up-to-date, $15,000 being from Chinese sources.

The interest on this amount is used to supplement money subscribed locally, in the different districts, towards the salaries of Chinese clergy and other workers.

(b) $1,000 towards initiating a pension scheme for Chinese workers:

It is obviously easier to initiate a pension scheme while the work is small and the numbers few, rather than later when the work has grown to larger dimensions.

The Chinese Diocesan Synod is anxious to start such a pension scheme as soon as practicable.

The above grant is to help encourage such a scheme.

(c) Grants have also been made towards the expenses of an ordination candidate, the building of a new Chinese Church and the Bishop's travelling expenses. The V.D.A. is also responsible for the stipend of the Diocesan Chaplain and the Diocesan Secretary.

It is realised that the work of the Association is only at its beginning and its activities are correspondingly small, but the V.D.A. has steadily been growing and we have hope of for greater things in days to come. If members, able to do so, would give an additional $3 per annum, sending the sum of $5 to the Hon. Treasurer, this would make a considerable difference and increase the activities of the Association. The life membership fee is $50.

Revision of Constitution:—It has been felt that the growth in local membership necessitated a revision of the organisation. The Committee has gone into the matter and you have the proposed revised Constitution before you which, it is hoped, you will adopt. The new scheme is suggested as an experiment, only to be tried for two years. The basic principle underlying the scheme is the Group System. By fostering the group system, it is not only hoped that a greater feeling of interest will be created amongst members but it will undoubtedly help to distribute more evenly an amount of detailed work, which, in the past, has fallen upon one or two persons.

To achieve the former it might well be possible for various groups to be organised in such a way as to have some definite object, diocesan in character, given it to do.

What each group is able to accomplish will depend upon the group itself and the keenness of its secretary.

The second advantage should be the general simplification of the collection of subscriptions, the issuing of notices and the keeping of the register of members up-to-date.

On the motion of the Rev. N. V. Halward, seconded by Miss F. C. Woo the report was adopted.

The New Constitution, copies of which had previously been sent to members of the Association in Hong Kong, was presented, and after one slight amendment was passed.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—

Vice-Chairman, Mr. P. S. Cassidy; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. H. Compton; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe.

The Council were elected as under:—Navy, Rev. G. H. Hewitt, R.N., and Mrs. Lushington; Army, Rev. G. F. Stopford, C. F. and Mrs. Riley; Mother's Union, Mrs. Noll (Hong Kong), Mrs. Rogers (Kowloon); St. Peter's Church, Dr. Earle and Miss M. Yuen; St. Andrew's Church, Rev. W. Walton Rogers, Mr. Stapleton, and Miss Sawyer; Educational, Rev. W. T. Featherstone and Miss Atkins; Missions to Seamen, Rev. G. T. Waldegrave and Mr. L. Forster; St. John's Cathedral, Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Mrs. J. R. Wood and Mr. H. R. Philips; Chinese Church Body, Rev. S. K. Y. Lee, Miss F. C. Woo, Mr. Woo Yee Tung and Dr. Chau Wai Cheung.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

A WIDE EXPANSION.

Addressing the meeting, the Bishop of Victoria said:

The Bishop of London at the reception given by the Victoria Diocesan Association on December 27th last, made a strong appeal for corporate effort on the part of Church people in this place, to back up the work of the diocese as a diocese.

I have no doubt that on June 29th, at the V.D.A. Re-union in London, at the Victory House, Leicester Square, the Bishop will make an equally strong appeal to people at Home to back up the work of this diocese. The Victoria Diocesan Association is the natural organ through which the different groups connected with Chinese and Colonial Church life, can help forward the work of the diocese.

I do not want to make any extravagent claims for the V.D.A.

(a) I know full well it is at present a relatively small organisation, and its activities are correspondingly small, but it has within itself the principle of growth and is capable of wide expansion, and given the right leadership, such as I believe we have got in the officials and council for this year, I prophesy a wide expansion for the Association.

(b) While the Victoria Diocesan Association is a comparatively small organisation, it is a very useful organisation. It forms the natural focussing point for all different activities within the diocese, and the Bishop knows that in the V.D.A. he has a band of people, both in England and here, upon whom he can count to uphold him in his work.

As Bishop I should like to thank the V.D.A. for providing me both with a Diocesan Chaplain and a Diocesan Secretary I regard neither of these offices as luxuries. They are essential to a Bishop for the effective discharge of his work, as anyone who has a real inside knowledge of the Bishops duties will at once appreciate.

This leads me to the last thing I have to say. I am to leave for England this week and would like

(a) First to thank who have worked for the V.D.A. during the past year for their help.

(b) To thank those who have been willing to take positions of responsibility and leadership for this current year, and in particular Mr. P. S. Cassidy for acting as Vice-Chairman Mrs. Wolfe for acting as Hon. Secretary, and Mr. A. H. Compton for acting again as Hon. Treasurer, and the members of the Council for their willingness to serve.

(c) I would like to thank too, numerous people, both here and elsewhere, for many kindnessess, and I pray God that I may witness brighter days when I return, all being well, in January next.

We go forward in hope.

"Whate'er the darkness of the Winter storm it passes fast."

"The Light that never was on Sea or Land will dawn at last."

THE FUKIEN MISSIONS.

Every Hope of Going Back.

In the course of his very interesting address dealing with the Mission field in China, and more especially the Fukien Province, with which he has had so many years acquaintance, the Rev. T. B. Woods said that they who had left the Fukien Province had every hope of getting back there again.

He did not want people who read the papers to think that the Christian Missions had received such a blow that they would not recover. They had had a blow, it was true, but there was no doubt they would recover.

Before he left Foochow some of the Southern officers, when they came to Foochow, left their daughters in the Christian Schools while they went to Chekiang to fight the Northerners. Asked why they did this, the officers replied "where else should we leave them while we are fighting." Surely, said the speaker, this was confidence in Christian schools.

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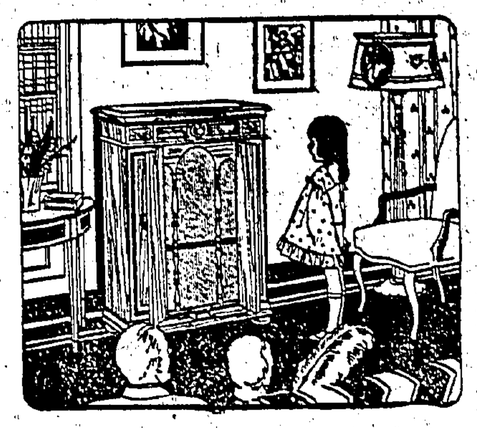

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A PLAUSIBLE STEAMBOAT ACQUAINTANCE.

A Chinese girl, 15 years of age, who had just arrived from Macao *viâ* Canton, and was on her way to visit her step-mother in Yaumati, was attacked and robbed of her jewellery and clothing to the value of $48.

Her assailant is said to be a youth of 18, whom she met on the steamboat. Telling the girl that he was well acquainted with Yaumati, he offered to take her to her destination. They crossed the harbour in the Yaumati ferry. At a lonely spot in Prince Edward Avenue the youth suddenly knocked the girl down tnd robbed her of her jewellery. He also ran away with her basket of clothing. The value of the stolen property is given by the girl as $48.

LOCAL CINEMA NEWS.

CONSTANCE TALMADGE AT THE STAR IN "DULCY."

"Dulcy" shewing to-day and to-morrow at the Star cinema is Constance Talmadge's latest comedy and is described as being "typically American." It was adapted from the New York stage by George S. Kaufman and produced by Joseph M. Schenck and is a First National Picture. Constance Talmage has won and held a place as a film actress of distinction, she has more than an attractive screen face; her amazing vitality and real sense of humour raise her high in the ranks of stardom.

Going Forward.

Far from losing ground continued the Rev. Woods, Christianity was going forward. He did not want people who read the newspapers to think that the Chinese did not want Christians among them. The Chinese, apart from the Southerners, wanted Christianity, and so far as one could say it was the only permanent thing in China, and the only thing that could heal the scores of China.

The foreigners had been accused of causing all the troubles in China. There were only 50,000 foreigners scattered throughout China, and what were they among so many.

They had not caused the troubles, it was the outside influences which had introduced anti-Christianism, and made the Chinese regard Christianity as their foe.

"I have been out here thirty years now," concluded the speaker "and I think that the prospects are bright. Antagonism is going to put us ahead. Christianity thrives on antagonism. Really the Chinese (I am not talking about the Southerners) want Jesus Christ, and they are ready to die for Christianity as well as to live for it."

The meeting was concluded with the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop.

QUARRY BAY ROBBERY.

SEQUEL HEARD IN COURT YESTERDAY.

GAG DISLOCATES VICTIM'S JAW.

The sequel to the armed robbery committed at West Street, Quarry Bay, on February 19th, was heard at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Four Chinese were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with feloniously entering No. 6, West Street, Quarry Bay, with others not in custody, and with stealing two pairs of rattan-gold mounted bangles, two pairs of gold earrings, two gold finger rings and six pieces of clothings. The first defendant was further charged with receiving one brown tweed jacket and one felt hat, valued at $3. The third defendant was also charged with receiving one felt hat, valued at $1.

One of the victims, an elderly Chinese woman said that at about seven o'clock in the morning, she was having her breakfast in the front parlour, and her daughter was in the kitchen when the four robbers gained admittance into the house by a ruse.

One of the thieves had a rattan basket in which the stolen articles were carried away. She was knocked down, blind-folded and gagged with a potato, her pair of bangles, rings and earrings being forcibly taken away from her. The robbers than tied her up and began ransacking the trunks and chest-of-drawers. After the intruders had decamped, her daughter came to her assistance. As a result of the gag, her jaw was dislocated and she had to seek medical assistance.

The daughter of the last witness said that one of the gang pushed her into a cubicle, and the other threatened her with a dagger. She was told that if she shouted she would be stabbed.

Witness was subjected to the some treatment as her mother. She being also robbed of a pair of bangles and a pair of earrings.

In answer to the Court, witness said that she recognised two of the defendants. The second accused was the man who threatened her with the dagger, and the third prisoner was the man who robbed her.

His Worship:—Why couldn't you recognise any of them at the identification parade?—I was sick with fright at the time.

His Worship:—Nonsense, why should you be afraid, and in the Police Station, too. Are you now prepared to swear absolutely to the two prisoners you have just pointed out?—Yes.

Asked if he wished to question the witness, the second accused said that he was only holding the girl back, and that he did not threaten her with a dagger.

The third defendant said that he only removed one bangle from her, and not a pair. He also disclaimed any knowledge of the earrings.

After further evidence had been taken, the case was adjourned until to-morrow noon.

OFF TO HANKOW.

THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF WORKERS.

ANOTHER BOYCOTT ON THE AGENDA.

MR. TOM MANN PROMISES TO BE THERE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Mr. Soo Shao Ching, the foremost professional labour leader in Canton, and head of the Canton Strike Committee, intends to leave shortly for Hankow, where on April 10th, a national conference of workers will be held to agitate for the further extension of the anti-British boycott movement. Among those who have promised to be at Hankow about the same time is Mr. Tom Mann, the British member of the Third International Delegation which has just concluded its visit to the Southern Capital and is now on its way to Hankow by way of Nanchang, Kiangsi.

The extremists in Canton are working to get rid of General Tang Yin Hua, Chief of Police, but it is doubtful whether they will succeed. General Tang is not wanted because he appears to favour a policy of moderation in labour disputes. He, however, has the support of General Chiang Kai Shek, and it is thought that this may enable him to retain his position.

Armed fighting between different labour unions is still frequent and the Political Council has instructed the Police Department to take drastic measures to suppress it. At the same time General Military Headquarters were asked to co-operate by enforcing the rule that those taking part in faction disputes should be arrested and their arms seized and confiscated.

In an official order issued on March 4th the Kuomintang admitted themselves to be "Reds," or at any rate termed their opponents "anti-Reds." This has never been done previously and it is thought that in this case it was entirely unintentional and due, possibly, to the fact that the proclamation was hurriedly drawn up. A warrant was issued for the arrest of "anti-Reds" and four Chinese, accused by the Macao branch of the Kuomintang, of having organised "an anti-Red movement" were formally expelled from the Party.

Fear of a strike on the part of the employees of the Canton Water Supply Company is not unwarranted. The workers have joined their employers in opposing the Municipal Council who wish to bring the waterworks under public control. The Company contend that they have a charter to supply water and that it cannot be withdrawn except by legal process. If the workers support the Company and the Municipal Council force the issue, a strike will follow.

Prospectuses have now been issued in Canton calling for subscriptions to a Company promoting a commercial air service between Canton and Hankow. The amount of capital being raised is $200,000. According to present plans German aeroplanes will be used.

The Smuggling Prevention Corps, organised by the Ministry of Finance from among the former anti-British boycott pickets, will be disbanded with the next fortnight, it is said. This action is being taken on the recommendation of the military authorities. In disarming a company of this organisation at Sheklung recently, the military described them as worse than regular bandits and pirates. It was stated that they were simply acting as bandits in Kuomintang uniform.

The Farm Workers' Union, an organisation opposed to the Peasants' League of the Bolsheviks, has been ordered by the Kuomintang authorities to close its headquarters. The reason given is that the Farmers' Union has failed to register.

The Canton Journalists' Union have been holding several meetings lately to protest against the alleged wrongful arrest of one of their members, but apparently they have no remedy under present conditions. The journalist concerned is being detained because he complained that the Kuomintang Whampoa Development Commission had done nothing except waste the money voted for its upkeep.

The "Society for Opposing British Armed Invasion" was inaugurated in Canton on Saturday, and among the organizations supporting it are the military organizations in Canton, the National Chinese Labour Union, the Hong Kong Chinese Labour Federation, and the Seamen's Union.

Kuomintang extremists appear to be supporting the proposed Japanese demand that the Commissioner of Canton Customs, who is now a British subject, should be a Japanese.

SHANGHAI DEFENCE FORCE COMPLETE.

COLDSTREAM GUARDS LEAVE FOR THE NORTH.

SUFFOLKS RETURNING TO HONG KONG.

CAMP ARRANGEMENTS.

The arrival of the Cameronians on the *Herminius* on Sunday brought the Shanghai Defence Force to its full strength. There are various details of equipment and supplies still on the way out, but the quota of men is now complete.

Where the regiments will be stationed depends, of course, in a large measure upon the political situation in the North. The Devons and the Coldstream Guards, for example, were waiting for several days on board for orders. Yesterday the *Kinfauns Castle* left for Shanghai with the Coldstreams and it has now been decided that the Devons shall disembark here. The *Kildonan Castle* went alongside the wharf yesterday, and the men will leave for camp to-day.

The 1st Border regiment, who are now occupying the Victoria and Wellington Barracks, will leave for camp to-morrow (Wednesday) and will thus make room again for the Suffolks who are returning from Shanghai on the *Fusua*.

The Devons are going into camp at Lo Wu.

The Green Howards went to Fanling yesterday morning and will be followed by the Cameronians, but it is not yet certain at what time. Yesterday morning the Cameronians had a route march through the Wanchai district and created an excellent impression. The men seemed thoroughly to enjoy the opportunity of stretching their legs after the sea voyage.

The camps at Fanling and Kwanti will each accommodate two battalions and the camp at Lo Wu will take one battalion, the Devons. The Pack Brigade will also go to Kwanti. It is not expected, however, that any of the men will remain under canvas for more than two or three weeks. After that period they will come into the billets prepared for them in the Colony.

It is expected that the *Ansaye* which brought the Green Howards will be converted into an ambulance ship.

Entertainment Plans.

With the approval of the Naval and Military Authorities, the Directors of the Y.M.C.A. now have plans well in hand for the entertainment of members of the United Services, both in Hong Kong and Kowloon.

In Hong Kong, premises have been kindly offered, free of rent, in Queen's Buildings, at the corner of Chater Road and Ice House Street. These are being prepared as Headquarters, with provision for reading, letter writing, refreshments and entertainment.

In Kowloon, a large godown has been kindly loaned for similar purposes. Plans have also been approved for the erection of an entertainment hall on the site at the rear of the Y.M.C.A. Building.

Huts, or similar places of entertainment, are also being provided at the billeting centres of the various units.

A careful estimate of the cost of buildings, necessary equipment and the maintenance of the work show that the sum of at least $20,000 will be required at once. The Directors, believing that the necessity for this work will be readily seen and that all who can will wish to have a part in its, have decided to issue a special appeal to the public of Hong Kong for this amount.

The Directors of the Y.M.C.A. would like to state that the services of their Secretaries are being given at no expense to this special Fund and all contributions received in response to this Appeal will be devoted entirely to the work for the Service men. A separate Bank account is opened for the purpose.

Contributions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. I. McPherson, at the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Headquarters, 5, Queen's Buildings. Cheques should be made payable to the "Y.M.C.A. Naval and Military Fund."

PRESENTATION TO MR. BARLOW.

SILVER LOVING CUP FROM CHINESE MERCHANTS.

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

Mr. A. H. Barlow, the Chief Manager of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who is leaving for Home on furlough to-morrow (Wednesday), was yesterday afternoon presented with a handsome silver loving cup, as a token of esteem, by the Chinese merchants and bankers of the Colony.

The presentation, which was of an informal character, was made in the Board Room of the Bank. Sir Robert Ho Tung acted as spokesman for the Chinese merchants. Mr. Barlow was accompanied by Mrs. Barlow, but there were no other Europeans present. Among the representative group of Chinese, in addition to Sir Robert Ho Tung, were the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, the Hon. Dr. Kotewall, C.M.G., Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. Leung, Mr. To Tse Tuen and Mr. Ho Wing.

The silver loving cup was of the style known as *Chow Tzup*. It was a representation of the bowl used on ceremonial occasions in the Chow dynasty.

Sir Robert Ho Tung's Speech.

In making the presentation, Sir Robert Ho Tung said:—On behalf of the Chinese merchants, bankers and residents whose names will be engraved on this silver drinking cup, I have much pleasure, Mr. Barlow, in asking you to accept the souvenir, on the occasion of your approaching departure on home leave, as a token of their regard and good wishes.

To be chosen as the spokesman of such representative Chinese gentlemen under such happy circumstances is indeed a high compliment to myself: and, to me, the pleasure of making this presentation is incomparably enhanced by my practically life-long association with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and, if I may say so, Sir, by my long and intimate friendship with you personally.

Knowing your dislike of speeches in general—certainly of making them, and probably of listening to them as well!—I propose to say very little more. Gentlemen, it is unnecessary for me to say anything about the unrivalled position of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation as the premier Bank in the Far East. We are all proud of this wonderful Institution whose financial prestige and strength increase as the years go by in spite of any adverse influence of political upheaval or trade depression. But it is obvious that it could not for ever maintain such a fine record unless it were fortunate in selecting those who are charged with the heavy responsibility of looking after its destiny. (Applause.)

That the Bank was, in this respect, singularly fortunate in the past is shown by such names as Sir Thomas Jackson, Sir Newton Stabb, Mr. A. G. Stephen. And I venture to say that in having you, Sir, as its present Head, the continuity of the Bank's "good joss" is maintained. (Applause.)

For conscientiousness and sheer devotion to duty, none of your predecessors could possibly have surpassed you. Your genius for taking pains, your indefatigableness, must be a source of inspiration to your subordinates, as your habitually early arrival at the Bank must at times be rather an embarrassing example to them. (Applause and laughter.)

We all hope that you and Mrs. Barlow will have a pleasant voyage, a happy re-union with your homefolk in England and a safe return to Hong Kong, where we hope better times await us all. We also hope that trade and commerce may flourish for the mutual benefit of the great Bank under your management and its Chinese clients, who look confidently to you for the continuance of that measure of co-operation without which the prosperity of Hong Kong cannot be so well assured. (Applause.)

Mr. Barlow's Reply.

Mr. Barlow, in a few happily chosen words, thanked the donors for their gift and for the honour they had shown him. He emphasised two points. The first was that the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank was not an Imperialistic institution, but simply a trading company operating, he hoped, for the benefit of the Colony in particular and of China in general. The second point was faith in the Colony's future. Although, he remarked, we might be passing through a period of trade depression, he had the greatest faith that prosperous times would return. He was optimistic of the great possibilities of the further development of the Colony.

LOCAL GUILD'S AFFAIRS.

IS IT AN ILLEGAL SOCIETY?

SOLICITOR'S ARGUMENTS IN SUMMARY COURT.

The Kwong Yee Tong (Mason Workers Guild) affairs were again mentioned before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood at the Summary Court yesterday.

It will be remembered that at the first hearing it was alleged that the officers left the Colony at the outbreak of the strike in 1925 taking the funds of the guild with them. The Guild are suing one of its members for alleged arrears of contributions, and Mr. D. McCallum, for the defendant, held that the Guild was an unlawful Society, and that, therefore, his Lordship had no jurisdiction to try any question of alleged arrears.

Yesterday the case is in the form of six Chinese plaintiffs claimed on behalf of themselves and others interested the sum of $266. In the alternative, they claimed $249.92 as money due in accordance with the rules of the Guild. They also claimed their costs.

Mr. F. H. Loseby was for the plaintiffs, and, as stated, Mr. D. McCallum was for the defendant.

Mr. McCallum said, in the first place, his Lordship had to consider exactly what sort of a Society it was—whether it could rightly be called a Friendly Society or a Trades' Union.

Quoting from the local Societies Ordinance, Mr. McCallum read:—"All Societies which have amongst their objects unlawful purposes, or purposes incompatible with the peace and good order of the Colony, are unlawful." There was no question of any Trade Union or Friendly Society Ordinances, and the only rules which could affect the case were the amended regulations of the Society itself.

At the suggestion of his Lordship, Mr. McCallum went through the rules of the Guild in detail. Rule No. 4, he said, was the only one that actually dealt with the objects of the Society, and it referred to such matters as burial of members. Rule 5, stated that a member who did not qualify for the senior grade would not be allowed to take up any work under contract. Other rules which Mr. McCallum declared to be against public policy and illegal, were for deductions from wages, attempts by the masters to fix wages for themselves and their servants, and what he termed "restrain of trade." The rule referring to the latter stated that if any dispute remained unsettled in regard to work, no other member was allowed to take over the contract and continue the work, thus giving rise to complicated disputes. Mr. McCallum, referring to the latter, said if a man refused to pay, quite genuinely, because the work was bad, it meant that nobody would be allowed to go and finish the work.

After examining the rules, his Lordship remarked that it would be very difficult to argue that it was merely a Friendly Society.

Senior and Junior Members.

On the question of the illegality or legality of the Union, the rule referring to a man having to take his senior grade before he could take up work, under contract was discussed.

His Lordship said it meant that members of the Society who were connected with the building trade were classified according to their qualifications, the seniors and the juniors. Only the senior members were themselves allowed to take up contracts, and they employed the juniors. A man must serve an apprenticeship. *Prima facie* this was some qualification of competence. He thought that rule was quite reasonable, as anybody joining and placing himself in the junior grade would be required to qualify for the senior grade.

Illegal Rules?

The rule referring to the prevention of members taking over contracts about which there was a dispute, was next debated.

His Lordship remarked that he was inclined to agree with Mr. McCallum that that rule was illegal.

Another rule, said Mr. McCallum, stated that if any member undertook a piece of work at a charge exceeding $30, that was reported to the Society for the purpose of paying $2 per $100, which was to be deducted from the wages of working members, and the contractor also contributed out of his own pocket. So apparently once a contract exceeding $30 was obtained, there was a fixed subscription laid down,—so much for the workmen and so much for the foreman contractor. The amount due from the former was to be deducted by the foreman from their wages, and went to the Society's funds. He submitted that it must be against public policy for subscriptions to be raised for a voluntary Society in that manner. The only approach they had to it was the Insurance Acts at Home, where the practice was allowed by Statuary Power.

It was also stated that members only should be employed in order to avoid the outflow of benefits. That, he submitted, was also against public policy, because it might be that there were no available masons belonging to the Society at that time, and others would be deprived of contracting and taking up any work.

Rule No. 9, continued Mr. McCallum, was clearly an effort by the masters to fix the wages of their servants. From that rule he understood that the foreman contractor was the man who employed other people, and the rule said they should be paid a salary of $1.20 per day for labour and provisions.

Mr. McCallum continued that the only benefits which accrued to the members so far as the funds were concerned were sacrificial. All the other rules seemed to be mostly for the purpose of controlling the funds and their abstraction from members. There were no other objects which appeared, and the rules were final and inseparable one from the other; and, being final and inseparable, the whole Society must be illegal if they were against public policy.

His Lordship remarked that if the rule referring to the qualification for the senior grade was interpreted in the form of an apprenticeship, then he thought that would be a reasonable rule.

Mr. McCallum replied that his submission was that there was nothing to give any such indication.

On the point of enforced deduction form earnings for subscription, his Lordship thought that he saw no reason why subscriptions should not be deducted in the case of members who joined in full knowledge of such provision.

Do Illegal Rules Vitiate a Society?

His Lordship asked Mr. McCallum if, presuming that in respect of the two regulations he had indicated, they were "tainted with illegality," what would the position be?

Mr. McCallum: I would submit that you could not separate the regulations and that, therefore, the Society is an illegal one. That being so you would have no jurisdiction.

His Lordship: Would you say that it was illegal under the Ordinances or in Common Law. For, in the case of the Ordinances, I don't think you could prove it.

Turning to the common law, his Lordship quoted Halsbury that "the effect, if some of the rules of a Society are illegal, is not that the whole of them are vitiated."

Mr. McCallum then argued from the point of view of the representation of the Guild. The Guild in question was supposed to stand for some 3,000 members and yet, when the meeting was called to prosecute certain claims in respect of alleged arrears of contributions only 300 men were circulated. The plaintiffs were not a sufficiently representative combination and could not claim in respect of this money.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

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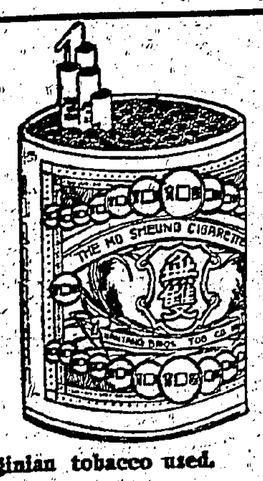

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of the provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, made An Order Limiting the Time for Creditors and Others to Send in their Claims against the above Estate to the 7TH DAY OF APRIL, 1927.

All Creditors and Others are accordingly hereby Required to Send their Claims to the Undersigned on or before that Date.

Dated this 7th day of March, 1927.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
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Hong Kong, March 7th, 1927. [4637

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By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [4643

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HUNTER.—On March 1st, at Shanghai, to Det.-Sub.-Inspector and Mrs. HUNTER, a daughter.

DEATH.

LITTLE.—On February 23th at Tientsin, ELIZABETH CONSTANCE, wife of EDWARD S. LITTLE, jr. Aged 39.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 8TH, 1927.

CHIANG KAI SHEK OR BORODIN.

IT is hazardous to prophesy about political matters in any country, but in none more so than in China where conditions seem to change not from month to month, but from hour to hour. Within a week new forces and new groups spring into existence and modify the whole situation. Chinese, who visited Hankow in November and December and again last month, for example, inform us that the difference in the political outlook there is remarkable. It is quite evident now that there is a definite cleavage in the Nationalist movement. There are at the present moment two centres of authority, one at Hankow and the other at Nanchang where CHIANG KAI SHEK has concentrated his forces and it is interesting to speculate upon which section will secure predominance.

In Hankow the Russians are supreme and are striving to establish a government more or less on communistic lines. Their aim is political control and the subordination of all military leaders to their authority. To secure this political ment and to all headquarters and through them the soldier is constantly reminded that his duty is to the political, rather than to the military, leader. The latest report is that the Soviet Government intends formally to recognise the Nationalist Administration and has appointed M. KHARAKHAN, former Soviet Ambassador in Peking, to Hankow for this purpose.

Now CHIANG KAI SHEK would be something more than Chinese, or perhaps we might say, less than human, if he willingly submitted to the dictation of a political group even if he agreed with their policy. But in his case, in addition to the usual contempt of the man of action for the man of words, there is the knowledge that the success of the left wing will mean in the long run the elimination of himself. CHIANG KAI SHEK, who is known to be ambitious, assertive and tenacious of his rights, is not likely, therefore, to acquiesce in a policy which tends to undermine his power. It is already stated that relations between Nanchang and Hankow are strained to breaking point and that M. BORODIN has been told by CHIANG "to clear out." Moreover, there is jealousy and rivalry in the ranks of the Nationalist forces and it is doubtful even now whether the commander of the troops in Hankow would take orders from the so-called Commander-in-Chief. In the circumstances it would seem that a complete break within the Party cannot be much longer delayed. As things are the position of CHIANG KAI SHEK tends to become daily less important although the conquests gained largely by his personal reputation have given the Nationalist Government its present standing in China. The Government claim supremacy, of course, on the ground that the triumphs would not have been possible without the "political propaganda" which undermined the resistance of the opposing armies.

If Nanking falls to CHIANG KAI SHEK it is believed that the Government will be invited to establish itself in that ancient capital under the protection of CHIANG KAI SHEK'S army. Nanking is the natural centre for Government and as such would appeal strongly to the Chinese. It would typify national unity. It is national in character and was not artificially created by an alien Power as Peking was. It would probably also suit Russia to have Peking dethroned but whether the Russians will be induced to permit the establishment of the Government in CHIANG KAI SHEK'S domain is another matter.

If Nanking falls to CHIANG KAI SHEK and the Government refuses to make headquarters there it will mean either a dictatorship under CHIANG KAI SHEK, or a communist regime for all practical purposes under M. BORODIN. That will depend on the relative strength of the opposing forces. Any government, under military control, would, of course, be of a puppet nature. On the other hand, a government directed mainly by M. BORODIN and his colleagues will bring all the worst elements of the country to the surface. Disorganisation, chaos, poverty and misery are essentials to the foundation of communism. The prospect on either side is not pleasing but certainly CHIANG KAI SHEK is to be preferred as a ruler of China to M. BORODIN, that sinister figure which hovers over the Canton officials and is constantly sowing seeds of discord between them.

There will be a meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon. The agenda contains no business of public interest.

Mr. G. H. Piercy was a passenger for Australia by the s.s. *Tanda*. Other travellers were Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Lewer, Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Faucett.

Among the passengers who left for Shanghai on Sunday by the s.s. *Siberia Maru* were Mr. Haimovitch and Mr. Sokoloff, returning north after the races.

The Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers of H.M.S. *Hermes* are holding at the Hotel Savoy to-morrow night. The function will commence at 8.30.

While iron plates were being unloaded from the s.s. *City of Bath*, at Holt's Wharf on Sunday a chain broke, and a plate fell and struck a cargo-coolie in the side. The man was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital with serious injuries.

Through being knocked down by a car in Kowloon, a nine-year-old Chinese girl was injured and had to be removed to the Kowloon Hospital, on Sunday. The car, belonging to Mr. Tregillus, was at the time being driven by the owner.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Walter Charles Clark, assistant-manager of the Hong Kong Telephone Co., residing No. 21, Broadwood Road, Happy Valley, to Miss Evelyn Winifred Thompson, residing at No. 22, Broadwood Road.

Six Chinese workmen, recently dismissed from Messrs. M. Y. San's biscuit factory at Wanchai, were charged by Sergt. Rozeskwy, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday morning, with intimidation and with damaging valuable machinery to the extent of $20,000. The case was remanded.

Two motor car touts were yesterday morning fined $5 each by Major Willson at the Central Magistracy The offenders were both arrested by Sergt. Clarke in Chater Road last night. One of them is said to have jumped on the footboard of a taxi-cab whilst it was about to start with passengers.

Ernest Trevor appeared on remand before Major C. Willson yesterday morning on charges of larceny of property of two European residents of the Glenealy Hotel. Defendant reiterated that he merely retained the articles as security for sums owed him. Major Willson remanded the case until this morning.

Private Borle, of the K.O.S.B., was bitten during the week-end by a dog belonging to Sergeant Major Templet, of the same Regiment. Private Borle is undergoing treatment, while the animal has been removed to the depot at Kennedy Town. A chow dog which had bitten a Chinese at Hollywood Road, was also taken to Kennedy Town.

The Chinese charged with having been concerned in the *Hanoi* piracy was again before R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning. In applying for a further remand the Police said that the case had reached a stage where sufficient evidence for the purpose of extradition to Indo-China had been collected and the Police were only asking for time to prepare their case. A remand was granted until Thursday morning.

Mr. D. F. Landale, who has been appointed captain of the Oxford University Rugby Team, is the son of Mrs. David Landale, formerly of Shanghai and Hong Kong, himself a Rugby player of distinction in his day, who was in the triumphant Fettes teams of 1886 and 1887, when the Internationals, Mr. A. Methuen, Mr. Ian Macintyre, Mr. C. T. Fleming and Mr. W. Wotherspoon, were also playing. Young Mr. Landale is the first Etonian to captain Oxford at Rugby.

The concert party of the China Light and Power Co., gave its first entertainment at the Recreation Club on Saturday evening. The artistes were Mrs. W. Robson, Miss L. Tollan, and Messrs. A. B. Clemo, J. H. Shaw, J. Grenham, F. C. Clemo, J. Davidson, and V. C. Labrum. An entertaining sketch entitled "Rappings" was also given, the characters being taken by Mrs. F. C. Clemo, Mrs. W. Robson, Mrs. J. H. Shaw, Miss A. Tollan, Mr. F. C. Clemo and Mr. C. B. Easterbook.

A case of suspected piracy is engaging the attention of the Police. According to a fishing boat woman living in Ping Chau Island near Mirs Bay, her father's fishing junk has been missing for nearly two days. According to other fishing boats which have returned to Ping Chau, whilst on the return trip from Kit Shak to Ping Chau they saw a strange boat make fast to a fishing junk and ten armed men board it. After drifting together for some time both boats made sail and went off in the direction of the pirates' stronghold.

A BOWEN ROAD MYSTERY.

FAHWONG WHO LEFT DURING THE NIGHT.

ANSWERED SOME CALL?

A disappearance mystery presenting several very curious features has occurred from No. 15, Bowen Road, the residence of Mr. A. A. Andrews, Chief Inspector of the Peak Tramway Company.

It appears that the man involved, a *fahwong* in the joint employ of Mr. Andrews and the Peak Tramway Company was last seen on February 20th in Kennedy Road. The following morning he was found to be missing from the room in the servants' quarters which front on to Bowen Road and are only shut off by a creeper-grown trellis.

Except for his sleeping garments all the man's clothes, his bedding and other possessions were left untouched but the place had been slept in; the door was open and his keys were found by Mr. Andrews under his pillow. No money was discovered but it was towards the end of the month and the same day he had borrowed a trifling sum from another of the servants.

Neither the other servants, sleeping in adjacent compartments, nor Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, whose room is on the first floor looking over Bowen Road, heard anything suspicious on the night that the man disappeared.

The watchman at the Bowen Road Waterworks could say nothing, beyond the fact that he knew the missing man as a fellow of a very quiet nature and of far greater ability than one would expect of one in his humble position.

A Curious Fellow.

Mr. Andrews in answer to our representative agreed that his gardener was rather a curious fellow. He was known as Jou Hock but his card name was Lee Yau and he appears to have come from the Chee Hing district of the Upper Kwangtung province. He said that he was a married man with a wife and six children in Canton, but he had relatives of a very respectable class in Hong Kong.

He had been in Mr. Andrews' employ for about 18 months, having been taken on as an unemployed. He proved such a clever gardener that he was subsequently given work also by the Peak Tramway Company.

He was a man about 45 years old, quiet and reserved, even for a Chinese, and singularly careful and precise as regards his belongings, which, as Mr. Andrews pointed out, made the manner of his leaving—with his door unlocked and his belongings intact in his quarters all the stranger. "It looks," said his employer, "as if he had gone out hurriedly in answer to some call."

Mr. Andrews also added that the police, when informed, said that other cases of a similar nature had occurred recently, but asked if the man could have taken anything of value and decamped. Nothing was missing, however, and his employers had no cause to suspect any of their servants of dishonesty.

PRESENTATION TO PEAK HOTEL MANAGERESS.

Mrs. Jenkinson who has been Manageress of the Peak Hotel for the past four years and is now retiring was presented with a cheque by residents of the hotel last evening as a mark of their esteem and goodwill.

The presentation was made by Mr. E. Ralphs who referred in appreciative terms to the way in which Mrs. Jenkinson had always striven to secure the successful and smooth working of the hotel and the comfort of the guests.

Mrs. Jenkinson is leaving the Colony by the *Empress of Asia* to-morrow and intends to settle down in Victoria, British Columbia.

H.M.S. "HERMES" DANCE.

ANOTHER VERY HAPPY EVENING.

There is a saying to the effect that one gets tired with repetition. This does not apply, however, in the case of those happy and informal functions which are becoming a weekly feature at the Hotel Savoy, the dances held under the *aegis* of H.M.S. *Hermes*.

Of their popularity there is no doubt, one sees the regular attendants always, and on each occasion there are many new faces.

No less successful than the other dances was that given last night. There was again a good attendance, and the Savoy's excellent floor and orchestra helped to make the evening enjoyable.

There was a varied programme of the latest fox-trot, waltz and one-step music, and many dancers were in fancy costume. There was plenty of colour about the affair, thanks to costumes and decorations and as usual a fancy dress parade at ten o'clock, prizes being awarded for the best costumes.

NORTH AND SOUTH CONCENTRATING ON SOOCHOW.

WHAT CERTAIN KUOMINTANG LEADERS WOULD LIKE.

HONANESE AND FENGTIENESE FIGHTING NEAR YELLOW RIVER.

MARSHAL FENG ADVANCING UPON HONAN.

MORE TALK OF ANOTHER SHANGHAI GENERAL STRIKE.

Northern and Southern troops are still rushing to the neighbourhood of Soochow, and it is now more evident than ever before that Soochow and not Sungkiang will be the scene of the collision between the opposing forces.

Shanghai "Labour," it is reported, is "solid for another general strike," and evidently the agitators are busy fomenting trouble in that direction.

Fighting is reported to have taken place between Honan and Fengtien troops near the Yellow River.

A Chinese Press Service telegram gives interesting details regarding the aspirations of certain Kuomintang leaders, who recently held a conference at Hankow. It appears that they wish to have the French and Japanese Concessions at Hankow "withdrawn" and also that "the control of Shanghai" (evidently meaning the International Settlement and probably also the French Concession there) should be placed "under an Executive Committee of eleven members of the Kuomintang."

Marshal Feng, who has been "lying low" of late, now appears to be emerging from Shensi with a view to taking part in the struggle with the Northern troops there.

CONCENTRATING ON SOOCHOW.

WILL THERE BE ANOTHER STRIKE?

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 7th.

There has been a lull in the military situation, and both sides are bringing up reserves to the Soochow area. The Northern reinforcements continue to pour into Nanking.

LABOUR "SOLID FOR A STRIKE."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 7th.

Labour organisations continue working feverishly in an effort to assist the Nationalists to gain control of the City. It is believed that Labour is solid for a strike.

KUOMINTANG LEADERS.

WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, March 7th.

In a conference, called by several of the Kuomintang leaders at Hankow, a resolution was passed that the Nationalist Government should authorise the Foreign Office to prepare "to withdraw" the French and Japanese Concessions at Hankow and the Shameen Concession in the South. It was also decided that an executive committee, comprising 11 members, should be appointed to take over the control of Shanghai instead of having it under the existing Municipal Council.

HONANESE v. FENGTIENESE.

FIGHT NEAR THE YELLOW RIVER.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, March 7th.

Honanese troops, led by General Wang Wa Wei, Marshal Wu's subordinate, engaged in fighting with Fengtienese troops who attempted to cross the Yellow River on the 4th inst. Finally, about 5,000 Fengtienese were able to reach Chungmao, situated south of the Yellow River, while two brigades of General Chin Yun Ao's troops retreated to Kosing, south of Chungmao.

FENG YU HSIANG TO ADVANCE TO HONAN.

SHANSI'S TUPAN "STRICTLY NEUTRAL."

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, March 7th.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang is reported to have ordered his troops, at present in Shensi, to advance to Honan through the Tungkwan, an important gateway to Honan, for the purpose of participating in the present campaign to drive out the Fengtienese in Honan. In view of Feng's movement, some of the Fengtienese leaders have appealed to Yan Shih San, the Tupan of Shansi, for help. He, however, is inclined to keep "strict neutrality."

[*EARLIER TELEGRAMS.*]

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

The Kiukiang Agreement.

LONDON, March 6th.

Details have been received of the Agreement relating to the British Concession at Kiukiang which was effected between Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen and signed on March 2nd.

The British Government has cancelled the British Municipal Regulations and will hand over unconditionally the administration of the Concession area to the Chinese Nationalist Government as from March 15th.

The Chinese Nationalist Government has transmitted a cheque for $40,000 in full settlement of all the losses suffered by British subjects during the recent disturbances at Kiukiang.

The assets of the British Municipal Council, which are the property of the ratepayers, are to be transferred to a Club, which will be incorporated as a Company, now in process of formation and registration.

Kiukiang thus reverts to the status of an ordinary Treaty Port, like Foochow or Chefoo.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The Bund Licences.

HANKOW, March 4th.

Mr. Eugene Chen has handed to Mr. O'Malley a cheque for $40,000 covering the damage sustained by British subjects at Kiukiang.

Notes were exchanged between Mr. Chen and Mr. O'Malley on March 2nd in which the British Government agrees "to cancel the British Municipal Regulations and to hand over unconditionally the administration of the area at Kiukiang to the Nationalist Government as from March 15th. The Nationalist Government agree to confirm the existing Bund frontage licences issued from the British authorities and current for ten years."

The distribution of the $40,000 is left entirely to the British Government.

[NAVAL WIRELESS REPORTS.]

Firing at Steamers.

KIUKIANG, March 6th.

Steamers passing in the neighbourhood of Tatung are still being fired on by troops on the banks.

Anking appears to be normal, though troops are visible and field guns can be heard. Several fires have been noticed in the vicinity of Tatung.

A Customs' launch has been seized and the engine dismantled by Labour pickets, while the native staff of the Customs has been forced out on strike.

Threat to Commandeer "Kutwo."

WUHU, March 6th.

The refusal of the request of General Chen, the Tupan of Anhui, to be allowed to charter the s.s. *Kutwo* led to his threatening to commandeer her. General Chen has been informed that he cannot have the vessel, and up to the present no action has been taken.

Chen has taken over the command of the 37th Nationalist Army, having defected to the South.

Another Ichang Incident.

ICHANG, March 6th.

A clash between a naval party and stevedores when the former was transferring cargo to a steamer, was attended by force and led to a serious situation.

(*Continued on next Column*).

RAISING MONEY IN HANKOW.

THE FAMILIAR SYSTEM.

HOUSE RENTS IN ADVANCE.

A CHINESE REPORT.

[*Asiatic News Service.*]

SHANGHAI, Feb 20th.

Owing to financial pressure, says a Hankow despatch to the *Shunpao* of Shanghai, special officials have now been appointed by the Kuomintang government at Hankow for the immediate collection of house rent for the month of March in advance. The tenants of houses in the two special administrative districts as well as those in the Chinese city paid their house rent for February, only a little over a fortnight ago. The demand for payment, of course, includes foreign tenants and consequently, it has brought paper protests from the Japanese and other consuls.

Four Chinese tenants have been arrested and the tenants union closed by the authorities for their refusal to pay rent in advance and they will be tried by a special court on the charge of being an revolutionaries. This indictment is serious because the culprits are generally charged as paid agents of the northern militarists and the penalty may be one of decapitation. The following are the new rules governing the collection of house rent in the Wu-Han area in advance:—

1. In view of the urgent need for meeting heavy military expenses, all tenants and landlords, foreign and native alike, are now called upon to pay, at least, one month's house rent to the Ministry of Finance of the Kuomintang government.

2. All tenants will be adequately punished in accordance with existing military regulations in case they refuse to pay after being urged three times to do so by the collectors.

3. Those who oppose the payment or put obstacles in the way of the house rent collectors will be severely dealt with by the Ministry of Finance after detailed report has been received from the Investigation Committee.

4. The Ministry of Finance, for purposes of references, will issue special receipts for the house rent to be paid in advance. In addition to the house rent, all big companies, such as Han Yeh Ping Corporation, the Electric and Water Company, the Cement Company, the British-American Tobacco Company and other rich firms have been ordered to pay "contributions."

New Revenue Stamps.

SHANGHAI, Feb 20th.

New revenue and other stamps have been issued by the Nationalist Government for territories under its control. Stamps issued by the Peking administration, it is said, will not be recognised by the southerners. The new revenue stamps are something like the Soviet Russian stamps representing Chinese workers and agiculturists.

The Labour Unions have issued demands requiring the removal of the gunboats and all British forces, with a threat of trouble within 24 hours if their demands are not acceded to.

Shasi "Very Quiet."

CHASI, March 6th.

Shasi is very quiet. Only about 200 troops are left here, the remainder having been transferred down river. A number of disbanded soldiers have turned bandits and they are operating between Shasi and Ichang.

"No Change" at Hankow.

HANKOW, March 6th.

There is no change in the situation to report.

White Russians Fighting for the North.

NANKIANG, March 6th.

Fifteen hundred White Russian troops, under General Mechaes, are amongst the Shantung troops which are continually crossing the river from Pukow. Stores and equipment are also coming across in large quantities.

The Soviet s.s. *Pamiot Lenina* has been detained and her flag removed. Mrs. Borodin and three Russian Jews, who were travelling as passengers, have been sent under escort to Tsinan, it is reported.

Three Standard Oil Company's motor barges have been commandeered for carrying troops.

Troops Moving Up the Yangtsze.

CHINKIANG, March 6th.

Troops and stores have arrived from down river and are continuing up river.

CHINA AND COMMUNISM.

WHAT GENERAL CHIANG KAI SHEK THINKS.

CONDEMNS IT SO FAR AS CHINA IS CONCERNED.

HIS ATTITUDE TOWARDS FOREIGNERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, March 7th.

Further evidence of a split in the ranks of the Kuomintang is afforded in the speech of General Chiang Kai Shek, at a mass meeting at Nanchang on the occasion of the inauguration of Li Lieh Chun as Governor of Kiangsi. General Chiang declared that communism was only one method of economic development. It may be adapted to the conditions of some countries, but it would be fatal to China. Communism would mean the downfall of China and revolution.

It is noteworthy that General Chiang's attitude towards foreigners has been very friendly. He assured foreigners at Nanchang of absolute protection and also issued a proclamation urging the Chinese to preserve foreign friendship and give foreigners all safety.

FUNERAL OF CWM MINING DISASTER VICTIMS.

AN IMPOSING PROCESSION.

100,000 PEOPLE PRESENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.

There was a three-mile long procession, 8,000 mourners, and five massed bands, accompanied by 20 hearses bearing the bodies of the victims of the Cwm mine disaster. Nearly 100,000 people came from the mining valleys of South Wales. The coffins were assembled in the schoolroom, from whence the procession started. It was composed of a section of a battalion of the Monmouthshire territorials, comprising Cwm miners, a company of the British Legion, various local bodies. At the gates of the cemetery the procession halted, and a band played Chopin's funeral march.

THE NICARAGUAN WARFARE.

PEACE DELEGATION'S FUTILE EFFORTS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 7th.

The Liberal Peace Delegation from Managua, which was accompanied by two American marine officers and protected by the Stars and Stripes, conferred at Muymuy on Thursday in an effort to end hostilities. They returned to the capital, all efforts to persuade General Moncada, the Liberal Military leader, to accept peace had failed. Moncada explained that he was under the orders of the Liberal President Sacasa.

URUGUAYAN AIRMEN.

THE LATEST REPORT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 6th.

A message from Casablanca, Morocco says that a French Air Company's aeroplane has landed near the wreck of Major Larre Borges' aeroplane, and that local Moors informed the occupants that the Uruguayan airmen had started afoot for Cape Juby.

TERRORISM IN SHANGHAI.

WORKING PEOPLE BULLIED AND SHOT.

MURDERERS AND AGITATORS WORK TOGETHER.

PLANS FOR "WHEN THE CANTONESE ARRIVE."

Statements made by a Chinese, who was charged at the Special Provisional Court, Shanghai, last Wednesday morning with the murder of a woman mill-hand, that he had been given a pistol and paid $10 to commit the crime, reveal the existence in Shanghai of a band of desperate men, who have formed themselves into what is known as the Labourers' Protection Society and who are adopting extreme measures to force the peaceful workers to accede to their demands.

It appears that these men, finding that their efforts to enforce the general strike failed, have been engaging ignorant coolies to start a campaign of terror by shooting innocent and peaceful workers, who declined to be drawn into the strike. During the previous ten days, there have been six murders, the latest of which took place on Monday last week and, in addition, a couple of other men sustained serious injuries but managed to escape with their lives. In all these affairs, the victims were of the labouring classes.

Inquiries showed that this society of desperadoes recently established their headquarters at Ningkuo Road, Chapei, and though it is not in any way officially connected with the General Labour Union it apparently has been formed to carry out the orders of the Union and deal with cases which require drastic action.

General Strike Plant.

Apart from this terrorist campaign, the Labour Protection Society, the headquarters of which have been suppressed, propose to call a general strike as soon as the Nationalist Army occupy Shanghai. They propose to call their strike within six hours of the arrival of the Cantonese and they have a scheme planned whereby Shanghai (or at least Chinese territory) will be governed by a commission. The members of this commission will be selected at once. The third aim is to disarm all defeated soldiers seeking refuge near Shanghai, and the arms seized will be used for the protection of the General Labour Union and the governing commission referred to. By controlling this commission, the General Labour Union hope to be in a position to dictate on local affairs.

It is the aim of these people to force the workers into a state of abject fear and make them so afraid that they will comply with the call for the next general strike. In addition to the murders, agitators have, it is known, been sent to the homes of various mill and other foremen threatening to kill them if the order for the strike is not obeyed to the letter.

The number of shooting cases is increasing and almost every day a murder is reported, but fortunately we are assured that the police have the situation well in hand and there is no need for any unnecessary anxiety.

PROFITABLE FORESTRY.

BIG REVENUES FROM MUNICIPAL PLANTATIONS.

About forty years ago the town of Orson, in Sweden, made a business of planting trees on municipal land, of which there was a considerable area.

The people of Orson now pay no taxes, telephone fees or tram fares! During the past 35 years the town authorities have sold over £1,000,000 worth of trees and timber; while judicious replantings have provided for similar revenues in the future.

The net profits from the municipal forests of Baden-Baden amount to £14,000 annually. The German town of Forbach, with less than 2,000 population, maintains 1,500 acres of town forests at an annual profit of £4,500.

The big city of Frankfort owns 11,224 acres of forests and reaps a profit of over £15,000 a year.

New Zealand leads the Empire in forestry enterprise, and in its wise anticipation of future forest requirements. It will undoubtedly become a large producer of the softwoods that civilisation demands in ever-increasing quantities.

THE MADAGASCAR CYCLONE.

"HARDLY ANYTHING REMAINS OF TAMATAVE."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 7th.

A telegram from Reunion states that the cyclone which swept the island, seriously damaged the crops in the north-east. Hardly anything remains of the port and town of Tamatave. The Madagascar steamer *Saint Anne* was lost, the *Catinat* foundered, but the *Duchesne* is safe.

BRITISH NAVY.

THE "BLUE" AND "RED" FLEETS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 6th.

Reuter's special correspondent aboard H.M.S. *Repulse* gives a vivid picture of the battle in the Mediterranean between the "Blue" and "Red" fleets under Sir Roger Keyes and Sir Henry Oliver respectively, each comprising seven battleships and battle cruisers, one aircraft carrier, ten cruisers and a number of destroyers.

Hostilities opened by a "Blue" aeroplane flying over the "Red" aircraft carrier *Furious*, and then retiring, pursued by three "Red" aeroplanes. Gas masks were then donned transforming the sailors into dog-headed demons, and a three-hour engagement followed consisting of a maze of tactical evolutions over a vast area, the sea swarming with darting light craft between the dim silhouettes of the capital ships. The issue of the fight is unknown pending the decision of the umpires.

Night operations followed in which a force consisting of the *Hood*, *Repulse*, *Furious*, five cruisers, three destroyer flotillas and three submarines fought a delaying action against a vastly superior "Red" force consisting of the remainder of the combined fleets approaching the Straits of Gibraltar from the East. All ships were darkened only their searchlights, representing gunfire, relieving the gloom.

MOTOR 'BUS OVERTURNS.

CONVEYING PASSENGERS TO A FUNERAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 6th.

Two men were killed and 23 injured, owing to a motor bus, conveying people to Cwm to attend the funeral of mining disaster victims, overturning and falling over a bank.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, March 6th.

Sir Austen Chamberlain arrived at Geneva this morning to attend the meeting of the Council of the League of Nations, which opens tomorrow, and over which for the first time a German, Dr. Stresemann, will preside.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

DUKE AND DUCHESS IN NEW ZEALAND'S CAPITAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WELLINGTON, March 6th.

The Duke and Duchess of York have arrived and were given an enthusiastic reception.

WINDFALL FOR A TRAWLER HAND.

TALE OF £28,000 LEGACY.

CELEBRATIONS AND THE POLICE COURT.

Stating that he had inherited a fortune of £28,000 under the will of his uncle, William Andrews, a Grimsby trawler engineer, aged 35, celebrated his good luck!

He returned from sea at the end of the week and, according to his story, found a letter from a London firm of solicitors notifying him of his uncle's death and his inheritance. The uncle was a retired cutler, Mr. David MacAndrew who formerly had a business in London.

Andrews gave away his sea kit to his shipmates and then made a round of the public-houses. Finally he was arrested on a charge of drunkenness. When he told his story to the magistrates they advised him not to indulge in any more folly but to fall in with the wishes of his uncle's solicitors and pay them an early visit.

A PROPERTY DEAL.

CITY BUILDINGS CHANGE HANDS FOR $440,000.

INTERESTING RESTAURANT SCHEME.

An interesting restaurant scheme, an echo of the Wembley Exhibition, lies behind a change in ownership of a block of buildings in the Central for $440,000.

The property is No. 26, Des Vœux Road Central, and was until recently owned by the partners of the A. Tack Furniture Store, occupying the ground floor.

Chinese who are principally interested in the restaurant business have now become the owners of the property. These owners are members of the syndicate which managed the Chinese Restaurant at the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley. In view of the financial success then achieved, it has been decided to conduct a similar restaurant, probably on a much larger scale, in Hong Kong.

The first step in the project is the purchase of Messrs. A. Tack's building, and the formation of a Company is now in progress, the capital to be $500,000.

As the building is in very good condition, in spite of being twenty years old, it will not be pulled down, but extensive alterations will be effected inside. A main entrance and staircase, with a lift, will be constructed, while the roof will be transformed into a roof garden. Messrs. A. Tack, although they will have to move out very shortly when reconstruction work is commenced, will return to their present premises on completion, as they have obtained an option on the lease for the whole space of the ground floor.

Closely identified with the new scheme are Messrs. Woo Sui Kee and Lam Tit Sang. The latter organised and had charge of the Chinese Restaurant at the Wembley Exhibition, and ideas in restaurant business gained there will be largely utilised in the present scheme.

Architects have been commissioned to go into the details regarding the interior, and work is to commence very shortly.

THE FIRST CHINESE CATHOLIC BISHOP.

PASSING THROUGH ON "PRESIDENT GRANT."

AN INTERESTING CAREER.

Passing through the Colony on the s.s. *President Grant* yesterday was the Right Rev. Monsignor Simon Tsu, Bishop of Haimen, who is returning from Rome to his Diocese.

Bishop Tsu has the distinction of being the first Chinese to be consecrated a Bishop of the Roman Catholic Church.

The Bishop of Haimen was born at Shanghai of Catholic parents, and his father, Nicholas Tsu, was a member of an eminent family whose Christianity dates back to the Jesuit Missionary work during the Ming dynasty. Bishop Tsu was educated by the Jesuit fathers and afterwards entered that order. He is accompanied by the Rev. Dr. James J. Morrissey, S.J., an Irish priest who studied in Rome and is now on his way to do missionary work in China, and also by his nephew, John Tsu, who is the Shanghai representative of the Buick Motor Car Company.

Bishop Tsu was ordained a priest in 1898 and after three years of priesthood was appointed "Foreign Vicar," which gave him jurisdiction over several religious communities. He was elevated to the Episcopate last October by His Holiness Pope Pius XI. at St. Peters. His Holiness has since created five more Chinese Bishops.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Rugby, March 6th.
Paris	124.05
Brussels	34.90¼
Amsterdam	12.12.7/16
Stockholm	18.16
Copenhagen	18.21½
Vienna	34.48
Helsingfors	192.87½
Lisbon	2.33/64
Buenos Aires	47.7/16
Bombay	1/5½
New York	4.85.15/64
Geneva	25.23½
Berlin	20.47½
Milan	110½
Oslo	18.70
Prague	163.13/16
Madrid	28.61½
Athens	315½
Rio	5⅞
Kobe	2/0.9/32
Shanghai	2/5½
Hong Kong	1/11½
Silver (spot)	28
Silver (forward)	28.13/16

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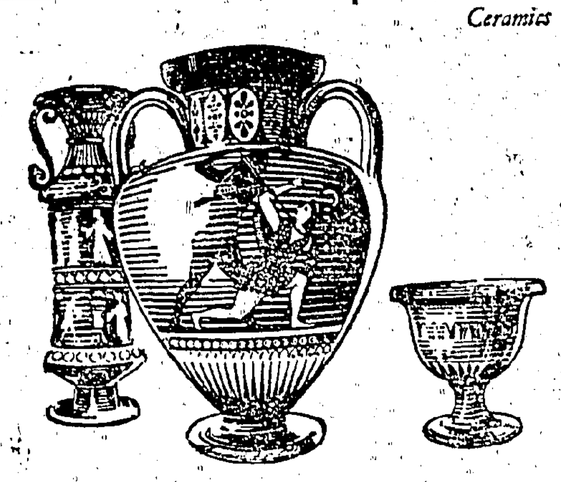

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SACRED HEART COLLEGE.

ANNUAL PRIZE DAY.

REPORT SHOWS GOOD PROGRESS MADE.

The annual prize distribution of the Sacred Heart College was held yesterday evening at the St. Patrick's Hall, Garden Road, and was attended by many prominent Chinese. Amongst those present were Mr. A. E. Wood (Director of Education), Father Noval, Father Spada, Mr. Li Yau Chuen (Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce) and Mr. J. S. Shak.

The Man Sing Band rendered selections and the students gave a capital performance (in English) of "Columbus and the Egg." Other items in the programme were a Chinese historical play, display with torches, and the singing of the Chinese and English National Anthems. Tea was also served.

The headmaster in presenting the annual report, thanked Mr. A. E. Wood, and all who were present. To see so many supporters present would encourage the "boys." He also thanked Mr. Li Yau Chuen for having consented to distribute the prizes.

Headmaster's Report.

The academic year 1926 was eventful year. The school which was situated at St. Joseph's Terrace was removed to Ki Cheng Building Nathan Road where a decent and airy Hostel was opened and at once fully occupied.

On account of the Strike many of our boys were stranded at Canton and the number of students was smaller than that of the previous year. The school was opened for 219 days and the average attendance being ninety-six per cent.

Examination's Results.

The school examination took place in December and the results of all classes were quite satisfactory.

A Matriculation Class was opened with six boys and at the end of the year and the 3 sent to the University Examination, all passed.

Football a Favoured Game.

Physical culture is by no means neglected and football is the most favourite game.

Since February last more than one hundred new boys were admitted.

In conclusion I wish to ask parents or guardians of the boys not to allow them to absent themselves from school without sufficient reason.

Mr. Li's Tribute.

Mr. Li Yau Chuen, before giving the prizes away, gave an address in Chinese; in the course of which he said: From the headmaster's report as well as from the newspapers we know that the school has had a great success this year in the matriculation examination. I must express my appreciation to the headmaster and the teachers of the school, though, of course, it is the diligence and attentiveness of the students that have helped to achieve this result.

The students of the Colony have been afforded the greatest opportunity to study, and they have an excellent Governor who takes a great interest in the education of the Chinese; and who has been so pleased to appoint Mr. Wood to be the Director of Education. Mr. Wood, as we all know, is a man versed in the English and Chinese languages, and also in the Chinese classics. He is of the stuff of which educationalists are made.

Before I conclude, ladies and gentlemen, I wish to thank the headmaster for the honour given me in asking me to distribute the prizes, and also to express my best wishes for the welfare and success of the school.

Prize Winners.

The prize winners were:—

Matriculation:—Wong Wa Kwan, Wong Fat Chong and Pang Chak Sang.

Winners of Free Scholarship:—Chan Kow Ling and Yuen Sum Fat.

For General Proficiency:—Lam Yiu Wah, Li Woon Man, Chan Kow Ling, Cheuk Shiu Ki, Chan Ying Ming, Wen Kam Ming, Yuen Sum Fat, Lai Shiu Cheun and Luk Shiu Fun.

For Good Conduct and Application:—Shak Pui Tim, Kwok Shin Wen, Au Yeung Hsiang, Butt Kam, Li Fook Ling, Au Yeung Chong; Leong Wing Tak, A. Shak and Lau Chun Koung.

Lyon's, the famous London caterers, recently supplied a harassed bridegroom, whose best man fell ill at the last moment, with a substitute at a fee of three guineas. The hired man also became Master of Ceremonies and arranged the speeches at the reception. The firm has also accepted £5,000, offered by a man, aged 40, to supply him with two meals a day, at the Trocadero, for the rest of his life.

LAWN TENNIS.

MORE WALK OVERS.

SINGLES CHAMPION APPEARING TO-DAY.

Of the five matches down for decision yesterday, only two were played. In the other three H. Lo, T. Edo and H. D. Rumjahn each received a walk over from S. Fujita, A. B. Raworth and H. Unotoro respectively.

In the first match, Akiyama met and defeated Miskin as expected. The Japanese was not playing as consistently as he did last year and was rather off colour. Miskin put up a much better fight than expected of him and made the Japanese go along way to win.

In the other match, Grose, one of the youngest competitors in the tournament, lost to Hung Huai Chen by three sets to two. Grose played very well while he was fresh and showed better form and court craft than his opponent. He evidently felt the strain of the match and weakened towards the end.

The scores of the two matches were:—

Open Singles (1st Round).

H. Akiyama beat G. Miskin, 7-5, 6-3, 9-7.

Hung Huai Chen beat F. B. Grose, 3-6, 6-4, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Open Singles.

Major W. B. Stevenson *v.* S. A. Hussain.
S. S. Hussain *v.* W. B. Cornaby.
S. Cassumbhoy *v.* T. Sajiki.
I. M. Razack *v.* S. E. Green.
T. Honda *v.* Capt. E. G. Howard.

U.S. LAWN TENNIS.

TILDEN WINS ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP.

LOSES IN DOUBLES' FINAL.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MIAMI, March 7th.

Tilden beat Manuel Alonzo 6-3, 7-9, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2, winning the South Florida Championship.

In the doubles' final, Alonzo and Hunter beat Tilden and his protege, Wilbur Coen 8-6, 5-7, 1-6, 6-4, 6-3.

BASKET BALL.

Before a large crowd at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. two exciting games of basket ball were played.

The Ying Wa College quintet, unbeaten since the opening of the local open league, played the Chung Hua team, also undefeated, practically for the basket ball championship of the Colony. Ying Wa won by a score of 31 to 25.

Ying Wa College were runners-up in the open league last season and champions of the school league.

Playing in the same gymnasium, the Queen's College team defeated the University by 33 to 27. With but one or two more games to play the open league competition will soon be finished and after March 15th, the school league will begin.

Basket ball is very popular among the Chinese students in Hong Kong, as on account of lack of space football and other games requiring large grounds are usually impossible for them.

SUNDAY FOOTBALL.

"DELHI" BEATEN BY CHINESE A.A.

Playing on the Hong Kong Football Club ground on Sunday afternoon, in a friendly match, H.M.S. *Delhi* were defeated by a Chinese Athletic Association team by two goals to *nil*.

The Chinese had the better of the play in the first half, as the sailors were two men short. At half time the Chinese were one goal up.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

NAVY REGAIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SERVICES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, March 6th.

The Navy beat the Army at Rugby football on Saturday at Twickenham by two tries to one, thus regaining the championship of the Services.

ILLICIT SAMSHU.

A Chinese woman was charged at the Magistracy yesterday morning with the unlawful possession of a jar of dutiable Chinese wine, and with maliciously damaging the jar when arrested.

According to the Police the woman struggled violently, and it took two men and a female searcher to hold her.

She was fined $20 or two weeks' imprisonment on the first charged and $10 or one week's imprisonment on the other.

MISSIONS LEAVING HONAN AND SZECHUAN.

A RESCUE FROM BRIGANDS.

TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGES INTERFERED WITH.

The story of the release of Mr. G. E. Metcalf, the China Inland Mission worker who was attacked and captured by robbers near Daku in Honan is reported in the *N.-C. Daily News* of last Friday.

The report, which states that Mr. Metcalf's release was reported by telegram received at the Mission Offices on Thursday, goes on to say that Mr. Metcalf who is a worker among the tribes in the mountainous region of Yunnan was captured while doing his evangelical work, this being the second time that such an experience has occurred to him.

The wire reports his safe arrival at Wuting after the robber captors had been attacked by soldiers and the missionary's release effected.

A large party of C.I.M. missionaries, numbering about 20 from Szechuan and five from Honan were expected last Friday. Their arrival would bring the total number of Szechuan missionaries now in Shanghai up to 99, there being only 13 left out of the ordinary 112 in the province of Szechuan.

Evacuation of Honan is being anticipated also by the China Inland Mission, as consular advices to inland missionaries continue to be urgent and insistent. In many cases, however, the telegrams which have been sent by consular authorities, and by the mission offices here giving the missionaries free choice about evacuating their respective territories, are not received. Such telegrams sent to stations in Kansu are known not to have arrived, and in other cases when the telegrams did actually arrive with their advice to go to "place of safety," the missionaries are reported to have some doubts as to just what place would be more safe than their stations which to outward appearances at last appeared quiet. Practically all the mission workers from Szechuan, far inland, report that conditions were not alarming when they left, but the ever-present fear is of the almost instantaneous reactions which Chinese inland have to Red propaganda.

Should it become necessary to evacuate Honan 64 missionaries of the C.I.M. will be involved. This mission has suffered rather severely from property destruction in certain parts of China at the present time, principally in Kiangsi and Chekiang.

AMERICAN STAGE MORALS.

NEW YORK THEATRE RAIDS.

NEW YORK, February 10th.

The New York police last night took the matter of stage censorship into their own hands. They quietly raided three Broadway theatre, arrested forty-one persons, including producers, managers, and leading actresses and actors, and haled them before the Night Court.

The raid followed an expression of opinion by the Governor of the State that the only power of censorship necessary here was already held by the police, as they were empowered by law to protect public morals and to supppress public nuisances. While a group of men concerned in theatrical production were debating ways and means of exercising a private censorship, the police picked out three plays of a "sex" type and arrested the principals on a charge of violating the section of the criminal code which forbids indecent performances.

The raids were not spectacular, the police permitting the performances to proceed to the final curtain before conducting their prisoners in taxicabs to the police station. The plays in question are "The Captive," at the Empire Theatre; "Sex," at Daly's; and "The Virgin Man," at the Princess Theatre. Bail in £100 was granted to all the prisoners, but they were warned that any further attempts to give performances pending the hearing of the charges would be followed by additional arrests.

The city officials announce their intention of raiding other plays and state that they will concentrate on producers and casts "featuring" semi-nude women. The theatrical managers declare that they will try to obtain injunctions to prevent further interference pending the decisions of the Court. If they are successful, they are assured of standing-room only for their theatres as the result of the widespread publicity given to their productions.

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PROMISING BRITISH TRADE SIGNS.

BIG CONTRACTS GIVEN.

HEAVY INDUSTRIES REVIVING.

There are abundant signs of revival in British industry, says the *Daily Telegraph*.

Sir William Larke, the director of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers, addressing a meeting of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, said that with the accumulation of demand during recent months it was inevitable that there should be a period of industrial activity ahead. It depended upon ourselves whether, on the period of industrial activity, we could found a complete and permanent industrial revival.

BIG ENGINEERING CONTRACTS.

"Modern Transport" announces that a contract for nine 4-6-0 superheated locomotives for the broad gauge lines of the Ceylon Government Railways has been awarded by the Crown Agents for the Colonies to Messrs. Beyer, Peacock & Co., Ltd., of the Gorton Foundry, Manchester. These engines will be of the modified Nanuoya type, fitted with double bogie tenders, and they will each have a total weight in working order of 98 tons.

The "Sentinel" Wagon Works, Ltd., of Shrewsbury, have received orders from the Crown Agents for the Colonies for two Sentinel Cammell steam railway coaches for the Ceylon Government Railways, these being additional to eleven similar rail coaches now being built for, and three already in service on, the Ceylon Government Railways system. The same builders have received an order for a similar steam rail coach for the Gold Coast Government Railway and for four steam rail coaches for the Great Southern Railway (Ireland).

The contract for 82 electrically-driven air compressors required for the brake equipment on electric locomotives to be built by the Metropolitan-Vickers Electric Co., Ltd., of Manchester, for the Great Indian Peninsula Railway, has been awarded the Westinghouse Brake and Saxby Signal Co., Ltd., of King's-cross, N., and Chippenham (Wilts).

MACHINERY FOR RUSSIA.

LANCASHIRE'S HOPE OF CONTRACTS.

MANCHESTER, February 10th.

Within the next few weeks it is expected that very important and delicate negotiations will be in progress between Lancashire textile machine manufacturers and Russia for another batch of contracts for machinery worth several millions sterling. Eighteen months ago Russia placed extensive orders for textile machinery with Lancashire, and now Mr. S. J. Emdine, director of the All-Russian Textile Syndicate, says that the Soviet are to spend £14,500,000 on the extension of their textile industry provided they can get credits extending over two years. Nearly all the existing contracts will have been completed by the spring, and in no case has there been any complaint of Russia not fulfilling its obligations to the letter.

It is admitted that if it had not been for this Russian business the Lancashire machinery manufacturers would have had a very lean year, and it may be taken for granted that a very strong inducement will be made to persuade Russia to come forward again with as much business as can be safely financed. Lancashire machinery manufacturers deprecate the tendency in certain quarters to make political capital out of Russia, and the head of one firm said to-day that to talk about driving the Reds out of this country was merely to embarras negotiations. Russia was working to a definite policy, he said, and wanted to equip the mills and factories being built.

MORE SHIPPING ORDERS FOR THE TEES.

The Furness Shipbuilding Co., of Haverton Hill, on the Tees, who, as announced earlier in the week, had secured orders for four big vessels for American owners, have now received orders for two other new ships—one a tanker for the Imperial Oil Company, of Toronto, and the other a small cargo steamer for London owners. The total tonnage of the ships is about 62,000. The builders hope to lay the keel of the first vessel within a month.

TRADE REVIVAL IN MANCHESTER.

In the past fortnight 4,000 unemployed have been reabsorbed by local industries, and about 1,000 men and 2,000 women have gone back from short to full time since the beginning of the year. Engineering works at Trafford Park are busier than they have been for some time, and the call for skilled workmen has been ever increasing in volume. One firm of engineers has restarted in busy fashion after being completely idle for some time.

(*Continued on next Column*).

BRIGHTON FOR THE "POPULACE."

ALDERMAN DOES NOT SIGH FOR GOOD OLD DAYS.

"SPLENDID PROGRESS."

"If Brighton is on the down grade, as has been suggested, how is it that we had more visitors last year than ever before?"

Alderman Carden, the Grand Old Man of Brighton, made this comment when asked him for his opinion on the contention that Brighton should be brightened.

"We have never gone ahead so much as we are doing to-day," said Alderman Carden, "and this cry that we are losing our aristocratic visitors is one that I have heard for thirty years. Of course we are losing them. So many of these people want rest and quietude, and Brighton is too big a place to be able to cater for them exclusively.

"Before long Brighton and Hove will have something like 200,000 people, and the catering must be not for a de luxe trade, but for the populace generally. The days have gone when so many of our visitors used to arrive in carriages and pairs, and take big houses to which they brought their servants.

How Values Soar.

"Houses of that kind have now been turned into flats, so that there is no loss. In fact, more money is being made in Brighton than ever before. There are no vacant houses of moderate size, and shop property in the centre of the town has doubled in value.

"Improvements and extensions in various directions are keeping us very busy. We are just going to rebuild the Aquarium at an expense of a hundred thousand pounds, and tenders are to be invited in a month or two preparatory to the start on the work this year.

"We are also building a very fine concert-hall and terrace, and although it is true we have not got a municipal orchestra, the musical attractions on the piers are surely good. There is room for an orchestra in Brighton during the winter, and personally I favour one, whatever the cost.

"I do not agree that there is any noisy touting at Brighton in connection with motor vehicles. As to the complaints concerning the utilisation of the front as a parking place by motor coaches, I think they are exaggerated. You don't get exhaust gases mingling with the ozone, for the coaches are stationary.

Not In The Way.

"It is not necessary to keep the motor coaches off the promenade. We have an exceptionally long and big front, and the point selected, two miles east of the Aquarium, is a long way from the centre of things. The average visitor does not find them in the way.

"I only wish the railway station were nearer to the water. It is too far away now.

"Brighton is all right and is progressing splendidly. It is useless for us to lament the absence of the ultra-fashionable. Whether we want them or not they will go to the Continent, and it pays us better to cater for the great bulk of the people."

4-POST BEDS IN LINER.

THE MAURETANIA'S PURPLE AND SILVER SUITES.

The 31,000-tons *Mauretania*, of the Cunard fleet, the fastest liner afloat, reached Southampton last month after a stay of two months in Liverpool, where she has been overhauled from top to bottom in readiness for a Mediterranean cruise with wealthy Americans. A thousand men have made the *Mauretania*, one of the ships in which the Atlantic *Daily Mail* is published, look like new.

The staterooms have been modernised. Passengers may now sleep in a four-post bed with valances and curtains in tasteful colours.

The furnishing of the rooms is more elaborate than in the most modern hotel. Panels of finely painted silk and carpets of grey give the last touch in a beautiful colour scheme.

Several suites, which only the wealthiest of passengers can afford, are in purple and silver design. Corridors in rich mahogany with soft carpets run for 150 yards on each side of the ship.

Captain E. G. Diggle is in charge of the vessel. Starting his career as a boy in a sailing ship, he has been 32 years with the Cunard Co.

DREDGER FOR INDIA.

Messrs. William Simons & Co., Ltd., Renfrew, have just received an order for a powerful cutter and drag suction hopper dredger for the port of Chittagong, India. This contract, along with other recent contracts placed with this firm, will provide employment for a large number of men during the current year.

SON ACQUITTED OF KILLING MOTHER.

IMPRISONED ON FORGERY CHARGE.

JUDGE'S SUMMING UP.

When the trial of the Edinburgh student, John Donald Merrett, on charges of murdering his mother and uttering forged cheques to the value of £457, was concluded in the High Court of Justiciary, Edinburgh. The jury returned a verdict of guilty on the forgery charge and of not proven on the murder charge. Merrett was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

In his summing-up the Lord Justice Clerk commented on the "extraordinary and exceptional" nature of the case, both in its character and in its gravity. The murder charge, he said, was an "afterthought" on the part of the Crown. It was true that no adequate motive for suicide had been disclosed in the evidence or suggested in the argument, but did a suicide broadcast his intention to commit suicide? The shot was fired in the flat at a time when Mrs. Sutherland was there. "It might easily have been fired in her absence, if anybody so desired. The accused helped to telephone for the police, and he wired for the relatives. Was he a consummate actor, as well as a villain? He visited the infirmary frequently and he kissed his mother. Was it the kiss of a Judas? As to the second charge, his Lordship thought they would have no reasonable doubt that the accused presented the cheques.

HISTORIC ENGLISH CASTLE SOLD.

WHERE EDWARD I. LIVED.

Leeds Castle, known as "The Enchanted Castle of Kent," and its estate of 3,100 acres, about six miles from Maidstone, have been sold by Mr. Fairfax Wykeham-Martin, whose family have owned the property for the past century, through Messrs. John D. Wood & Co., Mount-street, W., to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson-Filmer. The latter is a daughter of Lord Queenborough and her husband is the nephew of the late Sir Robert Filmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson-Filmer, who are at present on the Nile, intend to make the castle, which was built as a royal residence by Edward I. and added to by Henry VIII., once again a moated home. The present running moat, fed by a stream, will be drained, lighting and heating—there is neither at present—are to be installed, and the entire scheme of the living and entertaining rooms in the original part of the structure is to be changed at a cost estimated at about £100,000.

Leeds Castle, the history of which can be traced back to 978, occupies two islands in the midst of a large lake, and is one of the best specimens in Britain of an ancient fortified home. One of its most interesting fragments is the barbican, including a mill 650 years old. Three drawbridges, each with gateway and porticullis—these are to be preserved as they have stood throughout the centuries—give access to a central space on the smaller island, and from there starts a main bridge leading to the great gatehouse on the other island.

THE WORLD'S RICHEST MEN.

HENRY FORD HEADS THE LIST.

The statement made last month, that Mr. Henry Ford is worth about £400,000,000, singles him out as undoubtedly the richest man in the world and probably the richest who has ever lived.

John D. Rockefeller, now in his eighty-eighth year, says that he became rich by "doing a common thing uncommonly well." A man who has given over £100,000,000 to promote the well-being of mankind all over the world may be excused for patting himself on the back.

Andrew Carnegie, once a barefoot lad in Scotland, was the only British-born steel "king" to reach the £100,000,000 mark. We should remember him gratefully, for he paid for over 7,600 organs for needy churches.

Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, is variously estimated to be worth from fifty to two hundred millions. Mr. John N. Brown inherited about £60,000,000 when he came of age recently. Other Americans with great possessions were Marshall Field, who left £60,000,000; J. J. Astor, £25,000,000; Jay Gould, the same; Pierpont Morgan, who lent his Government £12,500,000 in gold at an emergency; and W. H. Vanderbilt, £40,000,000.

Stinnes, the German industrialist, left £15,000,000 made since the war. Pedro Alvarado, after less than ten years' success, left £14,000,000 and a gold mine. Charles Schwab was offered £20,000,000 for his interest in a single steel corporation.

Britain still numbers many millionaires among her citizens, but they do not advertise their wealth, so we know less about them than the American money kings. But they have vastly more money than his Majesty, whose income, most of which is already allocated, is a mere £1,000 a day.—F. S. STUART in the *Daily News*.

"PRESIDENT GRANT" HERE.

WHO'S WHO ON BOARD.

The s.s. *President Grant* arrived here yesterday with a large number of passengers. The liner also brought 1,613 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and had 3,946 tons for other ports.

Among the passengers were:—

Mr. Fung Tao Sing: Mr. Fung is connected with the How Woo Film Corporation of 2135, Boone Road, Shanghai. He is undecided as to the length of stay in Hong Kong.

Mr. and Mrs. Kwan Yet Cho: Mr. Kwan is a merchant of Shanghai coming to Hong Kong on business for one month.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Sutterle: Mr. Sutterle is a prominent real estate dealer of Shanghai, being the leading figure of the China Realty Company of that City.

Miss Ruth M. Chester: Miss Chester is a missionary *en route* from New York to Nanking where she will take up her work and remain for five years.

Mr. Page K. Gravely: Mr. Gravely, an executive of the China American Tobacco Company, is coming to the Orient for five months.

Mr. John Irvine: Mr. Irvine is connected with the International Export Corporation of Hankow, where he will remain for eighteen months.

Mr. Hunter A. Towne: Mr. Towne is connected with the American Milk Products Corporation of New York. He will remain in China for about a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Cannon: Mr. Cannon is an electrical engineer of Chicago, coming to Canton for an indefinite stay.

Captain and Mrs. F. H. Fegen and son: Captain Fegen is Surveyor for Lloyd's Agent at Kobe, Japan. He is making a short stay in Hong Kong.

Mr. H. J. Granz: Mr. Granz a of Los Angeles, is staying for two weeks' visit in Hong Kong.

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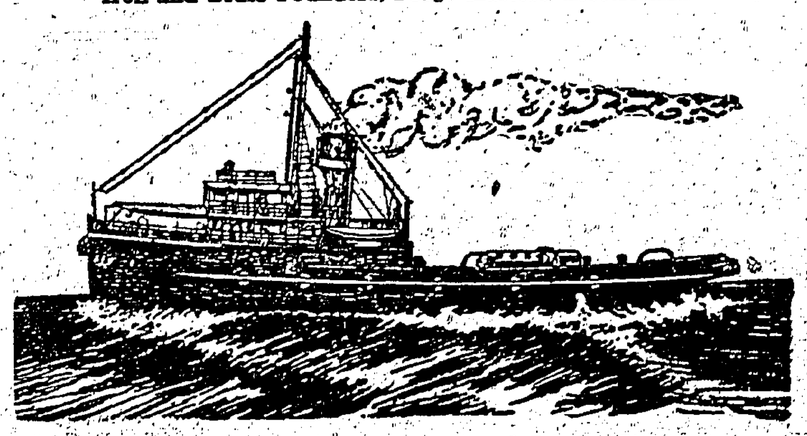

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th instant, at 10 a.m.

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Hong Kong, 4th March, 1927. [4632

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

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Goods not cleared by the 14th March, 1927, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, on 11th March, 1927, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

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Hong Kong, 5th March, 1927. [4641

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM NEW YORK.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned, on or before 17th March, 1927, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, 10th March, 1927, at 10 a.m.

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Hong Kong, 4th March, 1927. [4633

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All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Friday, the 11th instant, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 6th instant.

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Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1927. [4628

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HONGAY	"TAIKOOWANYI"	On 8th Mar.,	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHINKIANG"	On 8th Mar.,	4 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 9th Mar.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SZECHUEN"	On 10th Mar.,	Noon
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TSAN"	On 11th Mar.,	Noon
SHANGHAI	"NANNING"	On 11th Mar.,	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & NEWCHWANG	"HUPEH"	On 11th Mar.,	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 12th Mar.,	4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 13th Mar.,	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TSINGTAO & DALNY	"KANCHOW"	On 13th Mar.,	3 p.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KWANGTUNG"	On 14th Mar.,	6 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 15th Mar.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"CHINHUA"	On 15th Mar.,	10 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 17th Mar.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SOOCHOW"	On 17th Mar.,	Noon
SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 19th Mar.,	4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 20th Mar.,	10 a.m.
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ARRIVALS.

March 6th.

Canton, Swedish str., 4,501 tons, Capt. C. H. Anderson, from Vladivostock, which port she left on February 28th, with sugar and beans, lying at Stonecutters.—Gilman & Co.

City of Bath, British str., 3,154 tons, Capt. W. S. Coughlan, Newport *vid* Manila. The latter port she left on March 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—Bank Line.

Giyo Maru, Japanese str., 1,956 tons, Capt. M. Fujiwara, from Canton, lying at Wanchai.

Malayan Prince, British motorship, 3,874 tons, Capt. A. B. W. Sheppard, from New York and Shanghai. The former port she left on January 17th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Furness (Far East).

President Grant, American str., 8,105 tons, Capt. M. M. Jensen, from Seattle *vid* Port. She left Shanghai on March 4th, with 1,613 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—American Mail Line.

Spanish Maru, Japanese str., 3,582 tons, Capt. T. Yoshioka, from Moji, which port she left on March 1st, with 1,000 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Sunkong, Chinese str., 392 tons, tons, Capt. Lai Kwong, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38.—Man Yick S.S. Co.

Tu Chung, Chinese str., 1,115 tons, Capt. F. Tschaun, from Shanghai, which port she left on March 3rd, lying at buoy No. C17.—Wallem & Co.

Tsan, British str., 1,351 tons, Capt. E. H. Histed, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C15.—B. & S.

Tsanon, Chinese str., 664 tons, Capt. L. Jack, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C37.—Canton-Shanghai S.S. Co.

March 7th.

Chinkiang, British str., 1,829 tons, Capt. J. B. Bruce, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C36.—B. & S.

Liangchow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. C. H. Jones, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

St. Albans, British str., 2,538 tons, Capt. G. L. Smith, from Melaud Manila. The latter port she left on March 4th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy A5.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Takada, British str., 4,223 tons, Capt. H. W. Tallent, from Calcutta *vid* Singapore. The former port she left on February 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Yamagata Maru, Japanese str., 2,322 tons, Capt. Y. Matsuto, from Osaka and Moji. The latter port she left on March 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

CLEARANCES.

March 7th.

Anhui, for Amoy.
Canton, for Singapore.
Chengtu, for Saigon.
City of Bath, for Macassar.
Confucius, for Saigon.
Corona, for Canton.
Fei Hu, for Swatow.
Glenapp, for Shanghai.
Helikon, for Hoihow.
Kweiyang, for Swatow.
Malayan Prince, for Manila.
Man Sang, for Sandakan.
President Grant, for Shanghai.
Shinyoh Maru, for Singapore.
Sunkong, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Taikoo Wanyi, for Hongay.
Tak Hing, for Autau.
Lerka, for Saigon.
Yamagata Maru, for Singapore.
Yunnan, for Ningpo.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Calchas (Blue Funnel), due March 18th.
Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due March 18th.
Eumaeus (Blue Funnel), due March 24th.
Hector (Blue Funnel), due April 2nd.
Polyphemus (Blue Funnel), due to-morrow.
Shirala (B.I. & Apcar), due to-day, about 3 p.m.
Troilus (Blue Funnel), due March 10th.

WITHIN CALL.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong yesterday:—

Sinkiang, Szechuen, Honghwa Ouderkerk, Man Sang, Kweiyang, Corbis, President Grant, President Lincoln, Mantua, Shirala, Liangchow, Helikon Glenapp.

The P. & O. s.s. *Morea*, from Hong Kong, arrived at Marseilles on March 4th, at 6.30 a.m.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *St. Albans*, on March 7th, from Manila and Australian ports: Miss G. Bennett, Mr. W. Mills, Mr. S. Tamer, Mr. and Mrs. F. Mendoza. Among passengers passing through were:—For Kobe: Mr. N. Atkinson; For Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Ogilvie, Mrs. V. R. and Miss A. V. Beal, Mr. R. L. Stewart, and Mr. H. G. Brown.

Per s.s. *President Grant*, from Seattle and Victoria, on March 7th:—For Hong Kong: Mr. R. C. Burden, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cannon, Capt. and Mrs. F. H. Fegen, Mr. John Fegen, Mr. Gee, Mr. H. J. Granz, Mrs. I. J. Granz, Mr. P. Hell, Mr. J. R. Hopkins, Mr. J. H. Levis, and Mrs. F. M. Reid. Among passengers passing through on their way to Manila were: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bushnell, Mr. R. L. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. W. Brown, Sister Mary Cuthbert, Mr. P. S. Cravat, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Curry, Sister Felictas, Mr. J. G. Hirsch, Miss L. Pashanins, Mrs. H. Storey, Mr. E. H. Seidenspinner, Mrs. L. M. Singer, Mrs. C. F. Stoeckli, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Sutterle, Mr. R. J. Tozer, and Mr. B. K. Zercher.

DEPARTURES.

European passengers per s.s. *Siberia Mark*, for San Francisco *viâ* ports, on March 6th:—Mr. F. C. Hog, Mr. A. L. Pink, Bishop Holdon, Mr. Petroff, Mr. W. R. Andrews, Mr. M. Pirovano, Mr. E. N. Newton, Mr. F. E. Cormack, Mr. M. D. Cormin, Mr. J. T. Scarlett, Mr. M. Socoloff, Rev. A. Paris, Mr. A. Baker, Mrs. Vaughn, Mrs. Hampton, Dr. E. D. Smith, Mrs. E. M. Smith, Miss M. B. Smith, Miss B. C. Smith, Mr. F. S. Gutierrez, Mrs. A. Recto, Mr. A. Portillo, Mr. D. G. Sellar, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ross, Mr. M. M. Francis, Mr. E. E. Russell, Mrs. C. Johnson.

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Mar.	23	Seattle	Geo. Washington	Apr.	20	P'mth-C'brg	Apr. 27
Mar	29	San Francisco	Homeric	Apr.	30	C'brg-S'hmptn	May 6
Apr.	6	Seattle	Leviathan	Apr.	30	C'brg-S'hmptn	May 7
Apr.	12	San Francisco	Aquitania	May	11	C'brg-S'hmptn	May 17
Apr.	20	Seattle	Geo. Washington	May	18	P'mth-C'brg	May 27
Apr.	26	San Francisco	Republic	May	28	P'mth-C'brg	June 6
May	4	Seattle	Aquitania	May	31	C'brg-S'hmptn	June 6
May	10	San Francisco	Homeric	June	11	C'brg-S'hmptn	June 17
May	18	Seattle	Maurstania	June	15	P'mth-C'brg	June 21
May	24	San Francisco	Majestic	June	25	C'brg-S'hmptn	July 1

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PRESIDENT ADAMS	...	Tuesday, Apr. 26th,	8.00 a.m.
PRESIDENT GARFIELD	...	Tuesday, May 10th,	8.00 a.m.

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PRESIDENT CLEVELAND	...	Mar. 15th,	6.00 p.m.
PRESIDENT MADISON	...	Mar. 21st,	6.00 p.m.
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STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Thursday,	10th Mar.,	at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Saturday,	12th Mar.,	at Noon
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"FOOSHING"	Sunday,	13th Mar.,	at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via MOJI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"KUMSANG"	Wednesday,	16th Mar.,	at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"HOSANG"	Thursday,	17th Mar.,	at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Saturday,	19th Mar.,	at Noon
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"MINGSANG"	Sunday,	20th Mar.,	at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIPSHING"	Sunday,	20th Mar.	at 7 a.m.
KOBE via MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Tuesday,	22nd Mar.,	at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via KOBE & MOJI	"KUTSANG"	Sunday,	27th Mar.,	at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HOPSANG"	Sunday,	27th Mar.,	at 7 a.m.
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EMPRESS OF ASIA	...May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
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KAMO MARU ... ... Saturday, 9th April

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TANGO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU ... ... Wednesday, 20th April

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
TAKETOYO MARU ... ... Friday, 18th March
MAYEBASHI MARU ... ... Saturday, 26th March

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HAKATA MARU ... ... Wednesday, 23rd March

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
SADO MARU ... ... Friday, 11th March
AKITA MARU ... ... Tuesday, 15th March

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
HAKODATE MARU ... ... Thursday, 10th March
NAGANO MARU ... ... Saturday, 19th March

RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.
YAMAGATA MARU ... ... Tuesday, 8th March

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
AKI MARU ... ... Saturday, 19th March

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
KATORI MARU ... ... Tuesday, 8th March
DURBAN MARU ... ... Sunday, 13th March
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M.S. "Asia"	...	12th March	—
M.S. "Annam"	...	23rd March	—
M.S. "Afrika"	...	26th April	—

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Shipping News

Week-End Statement, Shipping Notes, etc.

WEEK-END FREIGHT RETURNS.

LOCAL IMPORTS LOW BUT THROUGH CARGOES FAIR.

A NORMAL ENTRY REGISTERED.

The amount of general merchandise imported into the Colony during the week-end was below the average. Through cargoes manifested on the vessels passing through here during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were fair.

There were 24 entries during the period under review, but only 16 vessels discharged here. The total amount of general cargo unloaded on Sunday was 12,812 tons, of which, 9,419 tons were from British bottoms.

Through cargoes amounted to 16,423 tons. Of these 9,566 tons were manifested on 6 British steamers.

Yesterday's Statements.

As compared with the previous day's returns, local imports of general merchandise during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday had fallen considerably.

There were only 5,183 tons of general cargo landed here. Of these 3,933 tons were brought here by 4 British vessels.

Through freights during this period had also decreased. The total amount carried was 13,676 tons. Three British vessels were responsible for 1,615 tons.

The arrivals and departures during the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were: British, 12 arrivals and 12 departures; Japanese, 4 arrivals and 5 departures; Norwegian, 1 arrival and 3 departures; Chinese, 4 arrivals and 2 departures; Dutch, 1 arrival; Swedish, 1 arrival.

The total number of vessels in the harbour was 65, of which, 31 were British.

Below are some of the principal cargo carriers:—

S.S. *Empress of Asia* (British) from Manila, 310 tons general for Hong Kong and 361 tons for ports.

S.S. *Sinkiang* (British) from Canton, 700 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Larchbank* (British) from Ballimore and Iloilo, 3,154 tons oil and general for Hong Kong, and 839 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Glenapp* (British) from London and Singapore, 2,738 tons general for Hong Kong, and 3,515 tons for other ports.

S.S. *City of Bath* (British) from United States and Manila, 592 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Tean* (British) from Haiphong and Hoihow, 2,286 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Canton* (Swedish) from Vladivostock, 7,387 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Shinnoh Maru* (Japanese) from Yokohama and Moji, 1,000 tons general for Hong Kong and 4,674 tons for other ports.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.15 p.m. stated:—

There appears to be a depression over Central and S.W. China. The monsoon will be interrupted.

Local forecast:—East winds moderate, overcast, rain, fog.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 1,876. Of these, the s.s. *Haiphong*, from Swatow and Foochow brought 1,128.

A derelict Junk, considered dangerous to navigation is reported, by the master of the s.s. *Sinkiang*, to have been sighted in a position 22° 51' N., 116° 26' E. from Hong Kong to Swatow.

The A.P.C. steamer *Corbies*, arriving here on Sunday from San Pedro brought 7,411 tons of oil fuel for local discharge.

Before Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court yesterday morning, the master of a trading junk was summoned for failing to exhibit regulation lights. The defendant failed to appear and his bail of $15 was estreated.

SHIPPING MOVEMENT.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* (Capt. L. D. Douglas, R.N.R.), will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., *vid* Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon to-morrow (Wednesday).

The B.I. & Apcar Line's s.s. *Shirala* left Amoy for this port yesterday afternoon and is due here to-day at about 3 p.m. She will leave for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta on Thursday at 1 p.m.

The E. & A. s.s. *St. Albans* will leave for Japan to-day (Tuesday) at noon.

The s.s. *Takada* will leave for Amoy and Japan ports to-morrow (Wednesday) at 7 a.m.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 7th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	30.00	29.92	29.91
Temperature	59	59	61
Humidity ...	70	86	51
Wind—			
Direction	E	E	ESE
Force ..	5	5	3
Weather ...	O	O	OM
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 6th: 60
Lowest open-air Temperature, 7th: 57

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 8th to 14th, 1927.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	8	m 0 41	6 0	m 6 27	2 3
		0 38 a	5 7	6 54 a	2 0
Wed.	9	m 1 48	5 2	m 7 2	3 0
		1 26 a	5 8	8 14 a	2 2
Thur.	10	m 3 19	4 5	m 7 38	2 5
		2 24 a	5 8	9 58 a	2 3
Fri.	11	m 5 14	4 2	m 8 14	3 8
		3 33 a	5 9	11 37 a	2 0
Sat.	12	m 7 16	4 2	m 9 12	4 1
		4 56 a	6 1		
Sun.	13	m 8 14	4 3	m 0 45	1 7
		6 3 a	6 8	m 10 57	4 1
Mon.	14	m 8 48	4 4	m 1 33	1 4
		7 3 a	6 5	0 18 a	3 9

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"SI-KIANG" ... ... 15th May.

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PORTHOS ... ...A	—	—	15th Mar.
PAUL LECAT ... ...A	—	—	29th Mar.
G. METZINGER... ...A	11th Feb.	16th Mar.	12th April
AMAZONE ... ...B	25th Feb.	30th Mar.	26th April
CHENONCEAUX ...A	11th Mar.	12th April	10th May
ATHOS II ... ...A	25th Mar.	26th April	24th May

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"KASHGAR"	9,003	12th March, Noon	Mar'les., L'don., Anwerp & R'dam.
"NAGPORE"	5,283	12th March, Noon	Saigon, Mar'les., London, Hamburg & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	16th March	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March, Noon	Marseilles & London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	9th April	Mar'les., L'don, Dumkirk, Antwerp, R'dam. & Hull.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	16th April	Mar'les., London, Antwerp & Hull.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th April	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"NELLORE"	6,853	11th May	S'pore., Penang, Columbo & B'bay
"KHIVA"	9,138	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	25th May	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	11th June	Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	10,902	25th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London.

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"SHIRALA"	7,841	10th Mar., 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta
"TAKADA"	6,949	26th March	do.
"GAMBHIRA"	5,257	28th March	do.
"JANUS"	4,824	10th April	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st April	Manila, Sandakan, Iloilo, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th April	
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st July	
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th July	

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th Mar., Noon	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"TAKADA"	6,947	9th Mar., 7 a.m.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHYBER"	9,114	11th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"JANUS"	4,824	20th March	Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,000	22nd March	Kobe.
"TEESTA"	6,296	24th March	Moji and Kobe.
"LAHORE"	5,252	27th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"JEYPORE"	7,643	13th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,853	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHIVA"	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	22th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,953	29th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,956	6th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

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From	Per	Due
Manila	*Pres. Lincoln* ..	8th Mar.
Amoy	*Shirala*	8th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	*Antaeo Maru* ...	11th Mar.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai ...	*Emp. of Canada*...	18th Mar.
Japan & Shanghai	*Mongolia*	18th Mar.
Australia & Manila	*Aki Maru* ...	18th Mar.
Straits	*Atula Maru* ...	21st Mar.
Japan...	*Tanga Maru* ...	22nd Mar.
Japan & Shanghai	*Haruna Maru* ...	25th Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Japan	*St. Aloune* ...	Tuesday, 8th, 10.30 A M
Hoihow	*Kairyu Maru* ...	10.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Hong* ..	Noon
Bangkok	*Taiyei Maru* ..	12.30 P M
Shanghai, *Japan, *Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 23rd Mar.	*Pres. Lincoln* ...	Parcels 3.00 P M; Reg. 4.15 P M; Letters 5.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan and EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only) ...	*Katori Maru* .	3.30 P M
Amoy	*Suiyang*	5.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 27th March, & EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only) ..	*Emp. of Asia* ...	Parcels 5.00 P M; Wednesday, 9th, Reg. 9.15 A M; Letters 10.00 A M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 6th April	*Patroclus* ...	Wednesday, 9th, Reg. 9.45 A M; Letters 10.30 A M
Straits & Calcutta	*Shirala*	Thursday, 10th, Parcels 10.00 A M; Letters 11.00 A M; 11.30 A M
Java via Batavia ... ... Straits and Calcutta	*Tjisarwa* ... ... *Lai Sang* ...	Parcels Noon; Letters 1.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hui Ching* ..	Friday, 11th, Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, *E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 10th April	*Kitawa Maru*	Saturday, 12th, Reg. 8.45 A M; Letters 9.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Hozan Maru* ...	Sunday, 13th, 8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ... .. Japan	*Hai Ning* ... *Kumsang* ...	Tuesday, 15th, 1.00 P M; 5.00 P M
Straits and Calcutta	*Hosang*... ...	Thursday, 17th, Parcels Noon; Letters 1.00 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 15th April	*Mongolia* ..	Friday, 18th, Parcels 5.00 P M; Reg. 19th, 9.45 A M; Letters 10.30 A M
Japan	*Aki Maru*... ...	Saturday, 19th, 9.30 A M
Shanghai & Japan	*Atula Maru* ...	Tuesday, 22nd, 10.30 A M
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 4th April	*Tanga Maru*	Wednesday, 23rd, Reg. 8.45 A M; Letters 9.30 A M

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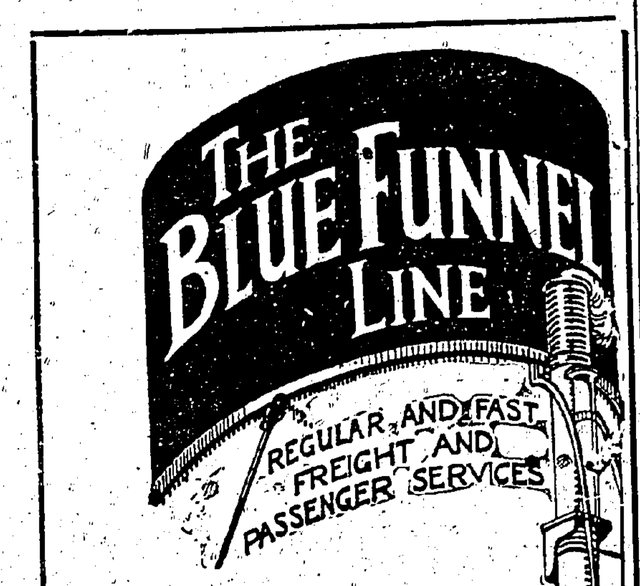

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Head Office:—PEKING.
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Branches and Sub-branches all over China, and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
London Bankers:—THE GUARANTY TRUST CO. OF NEW YORK, THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, LTD.
New York Bankers:—THE EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION, THE IRVING BANK-COLUMBIA TRUST CO.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
Every description of Banking Business transacted.
Loans granted on Approved Securities.
Special facilities for domestic exchange.
TSUYEE PEI,
Manager.
Hong Kong, January 15th, 1926. [38

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorised Capital £3,000,000
Subscribed Capital £1,800,000
Paid-up Capital £1,050,000
Reserve Fund £1,250,000

BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND and MIDLAND BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Kandy	Penang
Batavia	Karachi	Port Louis (Mauritius)
Bombay	Kota Bharu	Rangoon
Calcutta	Kuala Lumpur	Shanghai
Colombo	Kuantan	Simla
Delhi	(Pahang)	Singapore
Galle	Madras	Sourabaya
Hong Kong	New York	
Howrah		

HONG KONG BRANCHES:
Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts to 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.
C. L. C. SANDES, Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong, June 17th, 1926. [28

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Capital fully paid-up) .....Yen 100,000,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 89,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES AT:

Alexandria	Honolulu	Rangoon
Batavia	Kai Yuen	Saigon
Bombay	Karachi	Soerabaya
Buenos Ayres	Kobe	San Francisco
Calcutta	London	Seattle
Canton	Lyons	Semarang
Changchun	Los Angeles	Shanghai
Dairen	Manila	Singapore
(Dalny)	Nagasaki	Shimonoseki
Fengtien (Mukden)	Nagoya	Sydney
Hamburg	Newchwang	Tientsin
Hankow	Osaka	Tokyo
Harbin	New York	Tsinanfu
Hong Kong	Peking	Tsingtau
*Vladivostock (Temporarily closed)	Rio de Janeiro	

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for Fixed Periods at rates to be obtained on application.
H. MORI, Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th Dec., 1926. [35

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.
Head Office:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital...Frs.72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital ...Frs.68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund Frs.59,667,283.54

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Hanoi	Pondicherry
Battambang	Hong Kong	Saigon
Canthe	Mengtsz	Shanghai
Canton	Nam-Dinh	Singapore
Djibouti	Noumea	Tientsin
FortBayard	Papeete	Tourane
Haiphong	Peking	Yunnanfou
Hankow	Pnom-Penh	

BANKERS:
IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Crédit Industrial et Commercial; Société, Générale.
IN LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais.
IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co.; French-American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trusty Co., of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposit according to arrangement.
Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
CHR. LEM,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th March, 1924. [32

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG.
10, Des Voeux Road Central.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL $10,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 5,000,000
RESERVE FUND .....? 1,200,000

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

Canton	Osaka	Haiphong
London	Singapore	Batavia
Seattle	Melbourne	Kowloon
Nagasaki	Calcutta	New York
Tientsin	Saigon	Kobe
Manila	San Francisco	Peking
Bombay	Taipeh	Rangoon
Shanghai	Tokyo	Sourabaya
Paris	Penang	Semarang
Honolulu		

Correspondents in all principal cities of the world.
Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Loans granted on approved securities.
SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES TO LET.
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd May, 1926.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.
(TAIWAN GINKO.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ....Yen 45,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ....Yen 39,375,000

HEAD OFFICE:—TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES:
JAPAN:—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka.
FORMOSA:—Giran, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makong, Nanto, Shinchiku, Taichu, Tainan, Takao, Tamsui, Toen, Heito, Taito.
CHINA:—Shanghai, Hankow, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
OTHERS:—Hong Kong, Singapore, Soerabaya, Semarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York, Calcutta.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON COUNTY WESTMINSTER AND PARR'S BANK.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria, Tsingtao, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippine Islands, Java, Africa, &c.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts, and Fixed Deposits at Rates which will be quoted on application.
T. TAKAGI,
Manager,
HONG KONG BRANCH,
8, Des Voeux Road, Central
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1923. [27

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.
Established 1912.
HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG.

Hong Kong Currency
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....$11,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 8,664,200
RESERVE FUND..... 700,000

Branches:—
CANTON, SHANGHAI, HANKOW, SWATOW, BANGKOK, NEW YORK and SAN FRANCISCO.

London Bankers:—
THE LLOYDS BANK, LTD.
Correspondents
In all Principal Cities of the World.
Foreign Exchange and Banking Business of every description transacted.
Safe Deposit Boxes (various sizes) at a Yearly Rental of from $5 to $40.
LOOK POON SHAN,
37] Chief Manager.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £4,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £3,000,000

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES.

ALOR STAR (Malay States)	IPOH	RANGOON
AMRITSAR	KARACHI	SAIGON
BANGKOK	KLANG	SEMARANG
BATAVIA	KOBE	SEREMBAN
BOMBAY	KUALA KANGSAR	SHANGHAI
CALCUTTA	KUALA LUMPUR	SINGAPORE
CANTON	KUCHING	SOURABAYA
CAWNPORE	MADRAS	TAIPING (F.M.S.)
CEBU	MANILA	TAVOY
COLOMBO	MEDAN	TIENTSIN
DELHI	NEW YORK	TOKYO
HAIPHONG	PEKING	TSINGTAO
HAMBURG	PENANG	YOKOHAMA
HANKOW	PESHAWAR	ZAMBOANGA (Philippine Islands).
HONG KONG	PUNKET	
ILOILO		

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
J. R. GEORGE,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [30

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.
(Incorporated in France).

5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong.
HEAD OFFICE:
74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Capital .....Frs. 20,000,000
Reserves .....Frs. 11,160,000
Special Working Capital .....Frs. 50,000,000

BRANCHES:

Paris	Lyons	Marseilles
Saigon	Haiphong	Hanoi
Peking	Shanghai	Tientsin
Canton	Hong Kong	

BANKERS:
France: Société Generalé, Banque Nationale de Crédit, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.
London: Midland Bank, Ltd.
New York: Irving Bank, Columbia Trust Co.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
Correspondents throughout the World.
A. ROLLIN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd December, 1926.

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